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Karadzic Rally Draws Thousands in Serbia



'SERB HERO': Serbian extremists rally Tuesday in Belgrade to protest the government's plan to extradite Bosnian Serb war crimes suspect Radovan Karadzic to the U.N. war crimes tribunal. About 15,000 demonstrators flooded Belgrade, calling Karadzic a "Serb hero." ❖ **Clashes:** Police, protesters spar | **Page 9**

Alzheimer's Drug Offers Hope

Experimental treatment shows 'fantastic' results in study

CHICAGO | For the first time, an experimental drug shows promise for halting the progression of Alzheimer's disease by taking a new approach: breaking up the protein tangles that clog victims' brains.

The encouraging results from the drug called Rember, reported Tuesday at a medical conference in Chicago, electrified a field battered by recent setbacks.

The drug was developed by Singapore-

based TauRx Therapeutics.

Even if bigger, more rigorous studies show it works, Rember is still several years away from being available, and experts warned against overexuberance. But they were excited. "These are the first very positive results I've seen," said Marcelle Morrison-Bogorad, director of Alzheimer's research at the National Institute on Aging. "It's just fantastic."

The federal agency funded early research

into the tangles, which are made of a protein called tau and develop inside nerve cells.

For decades, scientists have focused on a different protein — beta-amyloid, which forms sticky clumps outside of the cells — but have yet to get a workable treatment.

The four Alzheimer's drugs currently available just ease symptoms of the mind-robbing disease

The illness afflicts more than 26 million people worldwide and is mushrooming as the population ages. MARILYNN MARCHIONE (AP)

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WHILE HE'S AT IT

We Would Also Like Lower Prices on Designer Footwear

Two prayer services will be held at St. Louis gas stations to thank God for lower fuel prices and to ask that they continue to drop. Darrell Alexander, Midwest co-chair of the Pray at the Pump movement, says gatherings will be held at a Mobil station west of downtown St. Louis. Participants say they plan to buy gas, pray and then sing "We Shall Overcome" with a new verse: "We'll have lower gas prices." (AP)



LIKE BEARS

Wild Sunbathers Become Violent Only When Startled

A 74-year-old nude sunbather has been arrested on accusations he attacked a Portland, Ore., man who mistakenly brought four children and two Chihuahuas to a clothing-optional beach. Oregon State Police Lt. Gregg Hastings said 45-year-old Josh Meiller landed his raft at a spot he thought was sev-

eral hundred feet from the nudist area of Sand Island at Rooster Rock State Park. Hastings said the dogs ran toward the startled sunbather, who allegedly hit the dogs and then Meiller with a collapsible police baton. Meiller suffered cuts, abrasions and a headache in Thursday's incident. The next day, police arrested Donald Kenney of Vancouver, Wash., on charges of menacing and assault. He was booked at the Multnomah County Jail and released Monday. (AP)



JEFF MITCHELL/AP/GETTY IMAGES

PUBLIC ART

Right on Key

You see a giant keyhole; Britain sees Turner Prize-nominated Jim Lambie's latest work. It's premiering at the Edinburgh Art Festival in Scotland this week, and it is reputed to be one of the top sights. (EXPRESS)



DELUSIONS

Couple Were Sure They Had a Shark

British police were searching for a shark stolen from an aquatics shop over the weekend in southern England. The female Australian marbled cat shark was one of a breeding pair kept in a converted garage in the back of a store owned by Peter Newman. Newman's wife, June, said she was puzzled by the theft, explaining that it would have been difficult to snatch the shark because the top of the tank was about five feet off the ground. "It's mind-boggling to me as to how this shark has been taken," she said. (AP)

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DOUBLE UP: Delta Air Lines announced Tuesday it is doubling its charge for checking a second bag on a domestic flight as part of a set of fee increases to help offset fuel costs. The fee will be increased from \$25 to \$50 for Delta tickets purchased on or after Thursday.

Nation

FTC: Kids Campaigns Cost \$1.6B

Food, drink companies market aggressively to youth, report says

WASHINGTON | Marketing food and drinks to children these days occurs with more than just a few television ads. It involves promotional displays at grocery stores and packaging that directs them to Web sites where they can play games, win prizes or send e-cards to a friend.

In all, the nation's largest food and beverage companies spent

80

The number of films, TV shows and video games used to promote food and beverages to kids and teens in 2006, the FTC found.

about \$1.6 billion in 2006 marketing their products to children, according to a Federal Trade Commission report released Tuesday.

About \$200 million of that went to cross-promotional cam-

paigns designed to provide children and teens with repeated product exposure across several venues.

Overall, the spending was much less than some previous estimates had indicated. Still, it represents a large pot of money that is being used to entice children to foods that are often unhealthy choices, said Sen. Tom Harkin, D-Iowa, who sought the study. KEVIN FREKING (AP)



Sen. Ted Stevens is the first sitting senator to face federal indictment since 1993. He is running for re-election this year.

Stevens: 'I Am Innocent'

Longest-serving GOP senator is indicted on seven felony counts

WASHINGTON | Sen. Ted Stevens, the nation's longest-serving Republican senator and a major figure in Alaska politics since before its statehood, was indicted Tuesday on seven felony counts of concealing more than a quarter-million dollars in house renovations and gifts from a powerful oil contractor that lobbied him for government aid.

Stevens, 84, is the first sitting

"I have never knowingly submitted a false disclosure form ... as a senator."

SEN. TED STEVENS, R-ALASKA

U.S. senator to face federal indictment since 1993. He declared, "I am innocent of these charges and intend to prove that."

He is accused of lying on his

annual Senate financial disclosure reports between 1999 and 2006 — an indictment that caps a lengthy FBI investigation that has upended Alaska politics and brought unfavorable attention to both Stevens and his congressional colleague, Republican Rep. Don Young. Both are running for re-election this year.

Stevens' indictment further damages Republican prospects in the November election as Senate Democrats, who now enjoy a 51-49 majority, try to capture a filibuster-proof 60-vote majority.

The Justice Department accused

Stevens of accepting expensive work on his home in Girdwood, Alaska, a ski resort town outside Anchorage, from oil services contractor VECO Corp. and its executives.

Prosecutors said that work included a new first floor, garage, wraparound deck, plumbing and electrical wiring. He also is accused of accepting from VECO a Viking gas grill, furniture and tools, and of failing to report swapping an old Ford for a new Land Rover to be driven by one of his children.

From May 1999 to August 2007, prosecutors said, the senator concealed "his continuing receipt of hundreds of thousands of dollars worth of things of value from a private corporation."

Stevens said in a statement distributed by his office: "I have proudly served this nation and Alaska for over 50 years. My public service began when I served in World War II. It saddens me to learn that these charges have been brought against me. I have never knowingly submitted a false disclosure form required by law as a U.S. senator."

He said that in line with Senate GOP rules he was temporarily giving up the ranking positions his seniority has given him. If the Republicans were to take over the Senate, the party's most-senior senator would be in line to become president pro tempore, a mostly symbolic title but one that would make him third in line for the presidency after the vice president and speaker of the House.

Stevens was expected to turn himself in, prosecutors said. The case was assigned to U.S. District Judge Emmet G. Sullivan. (AP)

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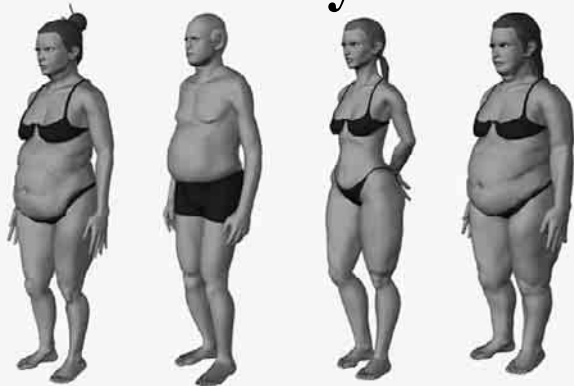


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TANK TROUBLE: A drunken man was arrested Tuesday in San Jose, Calif., after he allegedly broke into a small airport and tried to fill up his car's gas tank with jet fuel.

Quake Jolts Southern Calif.

No deaths or injuries reported after region's worst temblor since '94

LOS ANGELES | The strongest earthquake to strike a populated area of Southern California since the 1994 Northridge quake rocked the region from Los Angeles to San Diego on Tuesday but caused only limited damage and a few injuries.

Strongly felt but considered moderate, the magnitude-5.4 jolt struck at 11:42 a.m. and centered 29 miles southeast of downtown Los Angeles near the San Bernardino County city of Chino Hills. It was felt as far east as Las Vegas.

Dozens of aftershocks followed, the largest a magnitude-3.8.

"And there goes the earthquake — earthquake, earthquake, earthquake!" Los Angeles City Councilman Dennis Zine declared as shaking interrupted a council meeting. "The building is rolling."

The magnitude-5.9 Whittier



A man holds a boy on the streets of downtown Los Angeles after the quake.

Narrows quake in 1987 was the last big shake centered in the region. That quake heavily damaged older buildings and houses in communities east of Los Angeles.

As strongly as it was felt, Tuesday's quake was far less powerful than the deadly magnitude-6.7

Northridge earthquake that topped bridges and buildings on Jan. 17, 1994. That was the last damaging temblor in Southern California.

"People have forgotten, I think, what earthquakes feel like," said Kate Hutton, a seismologist at the California Institute of Technology. "So I think we should probably look at it as an earthquake drill. ... It's a drill for the 'Big One' that will be coming some day."

Merchandise toppled from store shelves and bricks fell from walls of old-style buildings, local television stations reported. The state Office of Emergency Services in Sacramento received scattered reports of minor infrastructure damage, including broken water mains and gas lines. The damage was in the greater Los Angeles area.

"I thank God there have not been any reports of serious injuries or damage to properties," Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger said. "People understandably are very nervous." ROBERT JABLON (AP)



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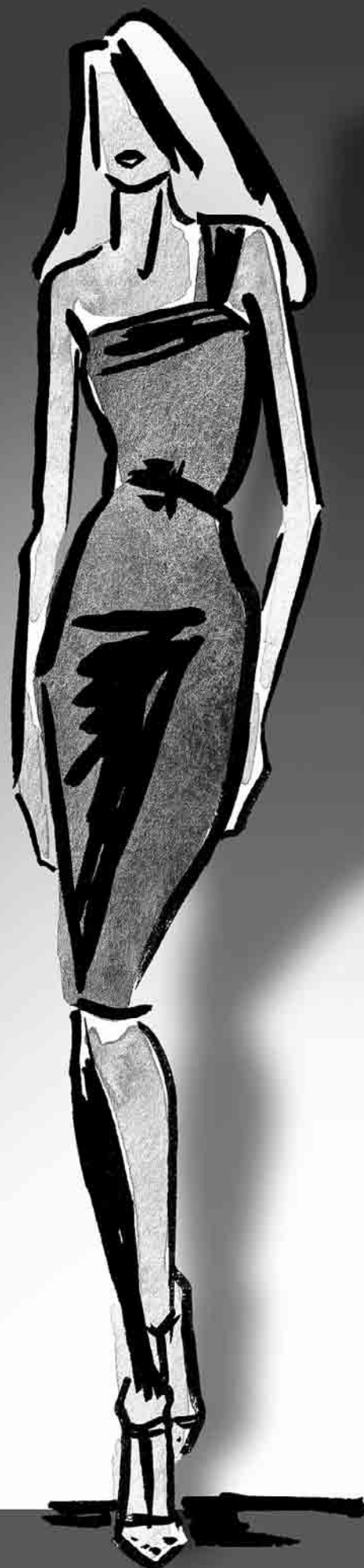
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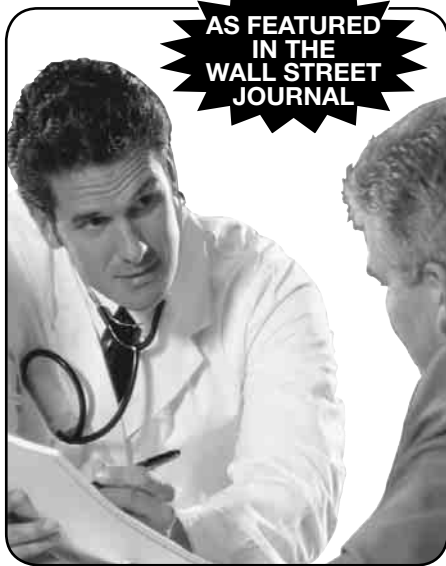
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L.A. Passes Fast-Food Ban

Construction of quick eateries outlawed in poor area for one year

LOS ANGELES | The Los Angeles City Council has approved a one-year moratorium on new fast-food restaurants in a low-income area of the city.

The moratorium unanimously approved Tuesday is a bid to attract restaurants that offer healthier food choices to residents in a 32-square-mile area of South Los Angeles.

Councilwoman Jan Perry says residents at five public meetings expressed concern with the proliferation of fast-food outlets in the community plagued by above-average rates of obesity.

Nearly three-quarters of the restaurants in South L.A. are fast-food



Customers enter a McDonald's in Los Angeles Monday. In South Los Angeles, fast food is the easiest cuisine to find, which officials see as a health problem.

outlets. That's a higher percentage than in other parts of the city, but the restaurant industry says the moratorium won't help bring in alternatives.

The proposed ban comes at a

time when governments of all levels are increasingly viewing menus as a matter of public health. Last Friday, California became the first state in the nation to bar trans fats.

CHRISTINA HOAG (AP)

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World

Olympic Panel Retracts Ban on Iraq

IOC permits athletes to compete in Beijing after last-minute talks

LAUSANNE, SWITZERLAND | The International Olympic Committee ruled Tuesday that Iraq could participate in the Beijing Games, reversing itself after Baghdad pledged to ensure the independence of its national Olympics panel.

The decision followed last-minute talks between Iraqi officials and the IOC ahead of Wednesday's

deadline to submit competitors' names for track and field events. The Olympics begin Aug. 8.

Iraq's National Olympic Committee was dissolved by the Baghdad government in May, prompting the IOC to suspend the Mideast country from the Olympics for political interference.

The IOC had insisted the old committee be reinstated, even though four members were kidnapped two years ago. Their fates remain unknown.

A compromise was worked out

HISTORY OF ABUSE

→ The IOC last suspended Iraq in May 2003 — weeks after U.S.-led troops toppled Saddam Hussein's regime. That ban occurred after the IOC learned of the abuse of athletes by Saddam's son Uday, the country's former Olympic chief.

→ The suspension was lifted a year later, allowing Iraq to field 25 athletes in the 2004 Summer Games in Athens. (AP)

after mediators from Germany and China became involved in talks, and Iraq pledged to hold free elections for its national Olympic committee under international observation.

Iraq is expected to send two athletes to Beijing to compete in track and field events.

The decision to permit Iraqi athletes in Beijing came too late for five other hopefuls in archery, judo, rowing and weightlifting. The deadline to submit names for those sports expired last week.

FRANK JORDANS (AP)



Iraqi and U.S. soldiers climb over a fence in Baqouba, Iraq, on Tuesday.

Iraqi, U.S. Forces Begin Offensive In Diyala Region

BAGHDAD | U.S.-backed Iraqi troops sealed off Baqouba and staged house-to-house searches Tuesday as they began a new offensive in Diyala province in the latest bid to clear al-Qaeda in Iraq from its last major belt near the capital.

Iraqi security forces hope to build on recent security successes elsewhere in a new test of the country's readiness to take over its own security and enable American troops to withdraw eventually.

The U.S. military said the improved abilities of the Iraqi troops have enabled Americans to play a less high-profile role in operations.

The new Diyala offensive — dubbed "Omens of Prosperity" — follows recent gains against Sunni insurgents in the northern city of Mosul and Shiite militiamen in Baghdad and the southern cities of Basra and Amarah. (AP)

Serb Protesters Clash With Police

Hard-line nationalists riot after 15,000 stage anti-government rally

BELGRADE, SERBIA | Serb ultranationalists crowded a main square Tuesday night to protest the government's plan to extradite former Bosnian Serb leader Radovan Karadzic to the U.N. war crimes tribunal, while a few hundred extremists clashed with riot police.

While most of the 15,000 demonstrators sang nationalist songs and waved posters of their "Serb Hero," some hard-liners broke away from the gathering and threw rocks and burning flares at police in downtown Belgrade.

Later, police fired tear gas at large groups of protesters while



Police help an injured colleague during clashes with protesters after a rally in support of ex-Bosnian Serb leader Radovan Karadzic in Belgrade, Serbia, Tuesday.

pushing them from the square after the rally. Police blocked off several neighborhoods, stopping

traffic and the passage of the demonstrators.

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China Retains Web Blocks

Olympic organizers fail to remove Internet censors for journalists

BEIJING | Olympic organizers are backtracking on another promise about coverage of the Beijing Games, keeping in place blocks on Internet sites in the Main Press Center and venues where reporters will work.

The blocked sites will make it difficult for journalists to retrieve information, particularly on political and human rights stories the government dislikes. On Tuesday, sites such as Amnesty International or any search for a site with Tibet in the address could not be opened at the Main Press Center, which will house about 5,000 print journalists when the games open Aug. 8.

"This type of censorship would have been unthinkable in Athens, but China seems to have more formalities," said Mihai Mironica, a journalist with ProTV in Romania. "If journalists cannot fully access



Foreign journalists use computers at the Main Press Center at the Olympic Green in Beijing on Tuesday. Sites such as Amnesty International could not be accessed.

the Internet here, it will definitely be a problem."

The censored Internet is the latest broken promise on press freedoms. In bidding for the games seven years ago, Chinese officials said the media would have "complete freedom to report." And in April, Hein Verbruggen and Kevan Gosper — senior IOC members overseeing the games — said they'd

received assurances from Chinese officials that Internet censorship would be lifted for journalists during the games.

China routinely blocks Internet access to its own citizens.

Gosper, however, issued a clarification Tuesday. He said the open Internet extended only to sites that related to "Olympic competitions."

STEPHEN WADE (AP)

Turkey: Strikes Kill Dozens of Kurds

ISTANBUL, TURKEY | Turkish warplanes attacked Kurdish rebel targets in northern Iraq on Tuesday, killing dozens of guerrillas and destroying a shelter, the Turkish military said. A militant spokesman confirmed the bombing but said no rebels were killed.

The attacks came two days after

bombs planted in a mostly residential neighborhood of Istanbul killed 17 people. The government has blamed Kurdish rebels, who denied involvement.

The military said in a statement that warplanes attacked rebel targets in Zab region and Qandil Mountain, where the leadership

of the rebel Kurdistan Workers' Party, or PKK, has been based. It said many of the approximately 40 rebels outside a cave at Mount Qandil were killed.

Ahmed Deniz, a rebel spokesman in northern Iraq, said by telephone the Turkish bombing lasted more than an hour, but he claimed it did not cause any casualties or serious damage. (AP)

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Money

Home Price Index Plunges

Record declines seen in May in nine cities, including Washington

NEW YORK | Home prices tumbled by the steepest rate ever in May, according to a closely watched housing index released Tuesday, as the housing slump deepened nationwide.

The Standard & Poor's/Case-Shiller 20-city index dropped by 15.8 percent in May compared with a year ago, a record decline since its inception in 2000. The 10-city index plunged 16.9 percent, its biggest decline in its 21-year history.

No city in the Case-Shiller

20-city index saw price gains in May, the second straight month that's happened. The monthly indices have not recorded an overall home price increase in any month since August 2006.

0.2

The percentage home prices fell in Charlotte, N.C., in May, the lowest drop in the U.S., according to the index.

Home values have fallen 18.4 percent since the 20-city index's peak in July 2006.

Nine metropolitan cities — Las Vegas; Miami; Phoenix; Los Angeles; San Diego; San Francisco; Seattle; Portland, Ore.; and Washington, D.C. — posted record declines

in May. And the value of housing in Detroit is now lower than it was in 2000.

But a possible bright spot in an otherwise dismal report, seven metros — Tampa, Fla.; Boston; Detroit; Minneapolis; New York; Dallas and Atlanta — showed smaller annual declines.

Las Vegas recorded the worst drop, with prices plunging 28.4 percent in the month. Miami came in a close second, with prices down 28.3 percent.

Charlotte, N.C., posted the smallest drop at 0.2 percent. Until April, the North Carolina city had been the last metro area still showing price gains. J.W. ELPHINSTONE (AP)

OSHKOSH, WIS. | JET PACK'S PUBLIC DEBUT



FLOAT ON: Harrison Martin takes a 250-pound jet pack for a test flight during the product's unveiling Tuesday at Air-Venture Oshkosh, an annual aviation convention. With two spotters preventing the jet pack from drifting in a mild wind, the pilot hovered for 45 seconds and then set the device down as the audience applauded. The jet pack — invented by Martin's father, Glenn — can, in theory, fly an average-size pilot about 30 miles in 30 minutes on 5 gallons of gas.

Scrabulous Pulled From Facebook

NEW YORK | The creators of a Scrabble knockoff responsible for countless hours at Facebook suspended their word game Tuesday after being hit with a lawsuit, disappointing fans who logged on expecting to make their next moves.

Hasbro Inc. — the Pawtucket, R.I.-based company that owns the North American rights to the word game — last week sued the brothers in Calcutta, India, who created the Scrabulous program. Separately, Hasbro asked Facebook to

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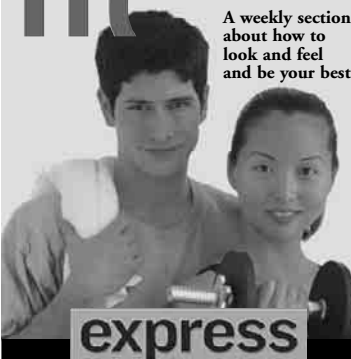
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Money



A trade delegate wipes his forehead outside WTO headquarters Tuesday.

WTO Talks Fall Apart In the End

After 7 years of work,
a global deal on trade
was within reach

GENEVA | After coming tantalizingly close to a historic trade deal, World Trade Organization talks collapsed Tuesday in a dismayingly blow to seven years of efforts to open up the global economy.

Once promised as a recipe for lifting millions out of poverty, the end to nine days of high-level talks left no new trade openings for farmers and manufacturers, no global economic boost and no grand deal for Third World development.

"This is a very painful failure and a real setback for the global economy," said Peter Mandelson, the European Union's trade commissioner.

His disappointment was shared by negotiators from the United States, Brazil and India, who have played leading roles since the World Trade Organization launched the talks in 2001.

The failure was all the more disappointing because the talks made greater progress than they had in years on issues such as farm subsidies and manufacturing tariffs. The talks hit a snag over an obscure "safeguard" for protecting farmers in the developing world.

"I am extremely distressed," said Foreign Minister Celso Amorim of Brazil. "It was hanging on a thread. The thread didn't hold." (AP)

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The amount, in millions of dollars, that Prince George's County and the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development will contribute to a program that will provide relief to homeowners facing foreclosure. The effort will encourage local banks to refinance loans for residents at risk.

Local

ARLINGTON, VA. | CERTIFICATE OF A HERO



SUSAN BIDDLE/TWP

DESERVING HONOR: Mary Pero, sister of Marine Sgt. Michael Strank — who helped raise the U.S. flag at Iwo Jima — was presented with his citizenship certificate Tuesday. Strank was awarded it posthumously after a mix-up in which it was never given to him, even though he was naturalized in 1935.

2 Charged for Illegal Race

Md. men indicted in 8 spectator deaths at street race in Feb.

A Prince George's grand jury Tuesday indicted two men in the deaths of eight spectators at an illegal street race in Accokeek in February, and the prosecutor said the investigation showed that the two men were also racing in a separate challenge when one of the cars hit the crowd.

Darren Jamar Bullock, 21, and Tavon Taylor, 18, both of Waldorf, are each charged with eight counts of motor vehicle manslaughter and one count each of racing and engaging in a speed contest. Bullock and Taylor are also charged with reckless driving, according to Prince George's County State's Attorney

Glenn F. Ivey.

The public focus previously had been on Bullock but not Taylor. Ivey declined to say whether Taylor struck anyone.

According to Ivey, Bullock and



Bullock

Taylor were allegedly street racing when Bullock slammed into a crowd that had gathered to watch another illegal street race. "I think there's certainly an enormous attachment to street racing in southern Maryland that I hadn't realized was there," Ivey said at an afternoon news conference. "I do think it's a major problem. It's clear people need to understand how dangerous this

activity can be."

Police and prosecutors interviewed at least 75 witnesses, authorities said. They added that their case is supported by time elapsed surveillance photographs from a camera at Baretta gun factory in the area of the crime.

The two defendants have not yet been taken into custody. If convicted, they each face 10 years in prison for each motor vehicle manslaughter charge, and fines. Reached outside his Waldorf townhouse Tuesday, James Michael Walls, an uncle who raised Bullock from childhood, said his nephew had gone to meet with his lawyer, and would likely surrender to police willingly, if a warrant were issued.

RUBEN CASTANEDA AND JAMES HOHMANN
(THE WASHINGTON POST)

The Lotteries

Tuesday, July 29

DISTRICT	
Mid-day Lucky Numbers	0-2-6
Evening Lucky Numbers (Mon.)	9-8-9
Mid-day DC 4	2-1-3-2
Evening DC 4 (Mon.)	5-7-8-4
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MARYLAND	
Mid-day Pick 3	8-5-1
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Mid-day Pick 4	6-4-9-2
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Match 5 (Mon.)	8-14-16-19-24 Bonus: 12

VIRGINIA	
Mid-day Pick 3	5-6-6
Evening Pick 3 (Mon.)	3-5-4
Mid-day Pick 4	6-6-4-0
Evening Pick 4 (Mon.)	4-8-0-4
Mid-day Cash 5	2-6-22-26-34
Evening Cash 5 (Mon.)	16-21-26-30-32

D.C. Libraries May Cut Friday Hours

The D.C. public library system is planning a severe reduction in hours, including the closing of all branches on Fridays, due to a shortfall in next year's budget.

The system may also close five kiosk branches, which are located in some of the District's most underserved neighborhoods but officials said are expensive to

maintain.

The cutbacks would start sometime in October, said Ginnie Cooper, the District's chief librarian.

"We haven't set a date because I'm still full of hope they won't be implemented," Cooper said Tuesday.

She disclosed the plan last week in a meeting with library trustees

and later sent a written memo to staff. She said she is working with budget officials in Mayor Adrian M. Fenty's administration as well as D.C. Council members to close the \$2 million gap in funding.

Fridays were chosen for closure because they are the quietest day of the week across the system.

"We chose to be open when we are busiest," Cooper said.

ELISSA SILVERMAN (THE WASHINGTON POST)

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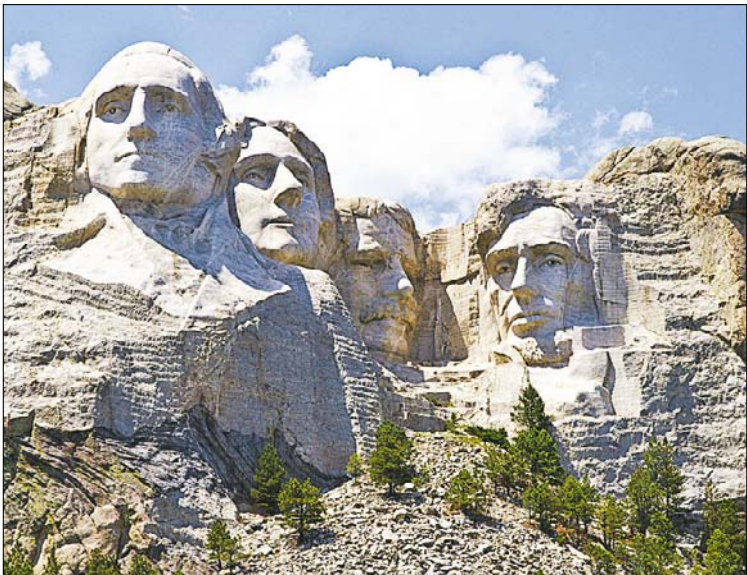


ETHICAL TRAVEL: In an effort to get travelers off the beaten path and support destinations in developing countries, Ethical Traveler has published a list of the “10 best ethical destinations.” They are Argentina, Bolivia, Bulgaria, Chile, Costa Rica, Croatia, Estonia, Namibia, Nicaragua and South Africa.

Rushmore and More

Area near the famous landmark is as special as the main attraction

DESTINATIONS | The wild burro wouldn't take no for an answer. We had already encountered grazing pronghorn antelope, packs of wild turkeys, prairie dogs, and enough bison to render us down-right blasé when yet another of the enormous beasts emerged on our four-day trip through the Black Hills of South Dakota. But the snack-seeking donkeys were a tourist's dream, moseying up to the car window for a bite of carrots, Cheetos or whatever else was handy. The feeding frenzy is



Mount Rushmore is as interesting as expected; the places nearby are even more so.

common in these parts: Moments later, a particularly assertive burro blocked our path down Wildlife Loop Road until we turned over more foodstuffs. The early summer vacation was ostensibly a chance to see Mount Rushmore, the civics book staple that a new generation is likely more familiar with from its featured role in “National Treasure: Book of Secrets” (just as an earlier generation saw the monument portrayed in Alfred Hitchcock's “North by Northwest”). Joined by my 12-year-old son and our year-old puppy, we conceived the 900-mile drive from Missouri to South Dakota as a guys-only getaway, a journey to rid our minds

of the mutual stress involved in planning Jonah's upcoming bar mitzvah, the Jewish rite of passage. Meeting the four granite presidents may have been our goal, but we quickly realized that so much more than Rushmore awaited. Any trip to the area should include time spent exploring the rich heritage of the Lakota Sioux Indians, who in 1877 signed a treaty ceding the Black Hills to the United States, an agreement that nonetheless didn't prevent an attack 13 years later in the Wounded Knee Massacre near the Pine Ridge reservation. Cynic or romantic, war critic or die-hard patriot, the grandeur is breathtaking. Awe factor aside, the memorial also offers insights into presidential history likely to impress even the most die-hard trivia buffs. **ALAN SCHER ZAGIER (AP)**



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Travel

A Lighthouse Revival

Volunteers attempt to save a crumbling sea structure in Fla.

PROJECTS | Bruce Robie was in the Florida Panhandle on business four years ago when he made a side trip to visit Cape St. George Light, knowing he might not get a chance to see it again.

He hired a fishing guide to take him to uninhabited Little St. George Island. He waded ashore to photograph the 153-year-old lighthouse, which was tilted and standing perilously in the surf after years of storms had eroded the shoreline.

"It was kind of surreal being there knowing that this historic structure was going to topple," said Robie, vice president of the Washington (state) Lightkeepers Association. A year after the trip, he saw photos of the lighthouse lying in pieces as waves washed over it.

The 74-foot-tall brick lighthouse fell over in October 2005. Members



RICH PEDRONCELLI/AP

A helicopter lowers the lantern room of the lighthouse during renovations.

of the St. George Lighthouse Association, which had been trying to move the lighthouse back from the coast, decided to save it.

While there's still some work to do, Cape St. George Light is now a striking figure as visitors cross the

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4-mile bridge to St. George.

"We tried to look at the bright side of it, and said, 'Well, if you can dig a dinosaur up out of the ground and put the bones back together in a museum, we can dig this lighthouse up and put the pieces back together,'" said Dennis Barnell, the association's president. "It's somewhat of a miracle." BRENDAN FARRINGTON (AP)



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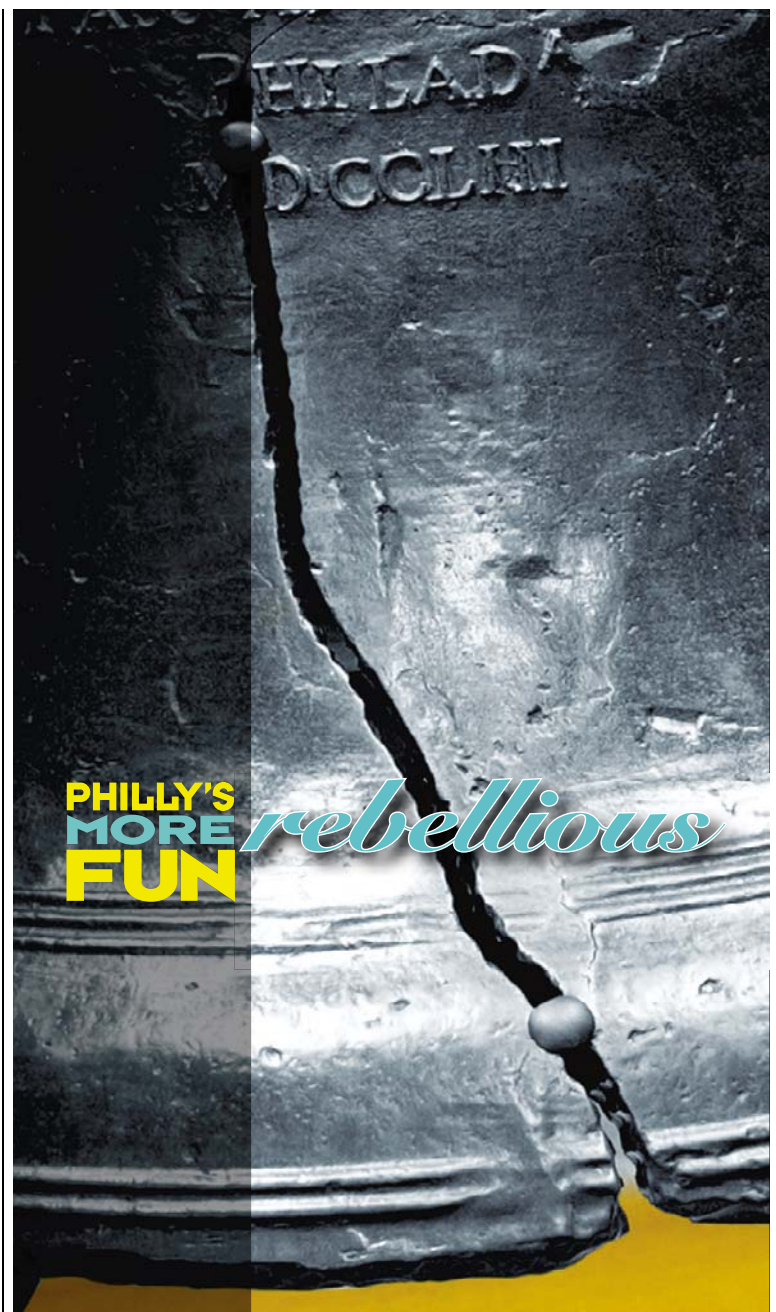
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Sports

In Brief



Emeka Okafor averaged 13.8 points and 10.7 rebounds per game last season.

NBA

Okafor Signs 6-Year, \$72M Contract to Stay in Charlotte

The Bobcats ended a year of uncertainty with top rebounder and shot blocker Emeka Okafor on Tuesday by coming to terms on a six-year, \$72 million deal with the restricted free agent. The move comes one year after Okafor turned down a contract for similar money and assures new coach Larry Brown will have the team's top inside presence when he begins his record ninth NBA coaching job in the fall. Okafor was the second overall pick in 2004 and the expansion Bobcats' first draft pick. (AP)

NFL

Manning Now in Terre Haute But Still Not at Colts Camp

Colts coach Tony Dungy says quarterback Peyton Manning is in Terre Haute but is being kept away from practice to prevent the risk of an infection in his healing left knee. Manning had surgery to remove an infected bursa sac from the knee on July 14. When the Colts reported to training camp at Rose-Hulman last week, Manning was still at his Indianapolis-area home. (AP)

AUTO RACING

NASCAR Apologizes to Fans For Sunday's Tire Debacle

NASCAR apologized Tuesday for the tire fiasco that ruined its prestigious race at Indianapolis Motor Speedway, and vowed to avoid a repeat. A durability problem with the tires Goodyear brought to Indy forced NASCAR to call cautions every 10 to 12 laps on Sunday to slow the action and force teams to change their tires. The longest run under the green flag was 13 laps. (AP)

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The amount, in millions of dollars, Kwame Brown's new contract with the Pistons is worth over the next two seasons. Detroit will pay the former No. 1 pick \$4 million this season with a player option for \$4 million next year. Brown has averaged just 7.5 points per game in his career.

Schweigert Finds Freedom in D.C.

Safety says he doesn't have to be the robot he was in Oakland

REDSKINS | Stuart Schweigert is reprogramming the way he reacts on the football field.

The free safety was signed as a free agent by the Washington Redskins this offseason. So far in training camp, he's still trying to get used to the relative freedom offered in the Redskins' defensive system.

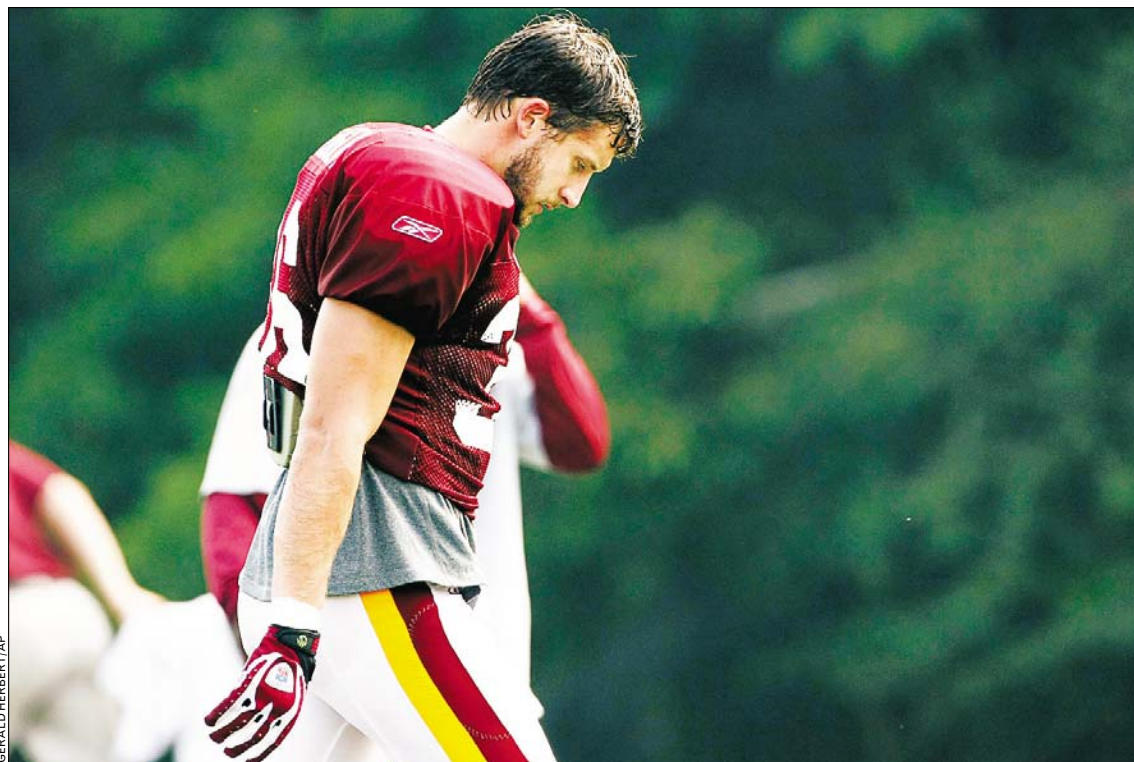
"Something I've had to kind of unteach myself is go out there and not be a robot," Schweigert said. "Go out there and be a football player."

In his previous stint with the Oakland Raiders, Schweigert's actions were dictated every play.

"You're in between the hashes, on this play you're here, we don't want you doing this," Schweigert says of Oakland's approach.

With the Redskins, Schweigert doesn't feel nearly as restricted. Now, he says, the message is: "If you feel you can make a play and you've studied and you have a pretty good idea of what's going to happen, go out and make a play."

Before Washington traded for defensive end Jason Taylor on the opening day of training camp, Schweigert was the Redskins' biggest offseason pickup. Schweigert



Safety Stuart Schweigert was a big offseason pickup for the Redskins, but he's still fighting for a starting job in Washington.

started 42 games in four years with Oakland, but he lost the starting free safety role late last season. The Raiders released him in May, and he was signed as a free agent by the Redskins in June.

Schweigert is clearly glad to be a part of a new team. Not only did he lose his spot on the depth chart at the end of last season, but over the last two seasons in Oakland, the Raiders

had a grand total of six wins.

He isn't assured of returning to a starting role with the Redskins. LaRon Landry and Reed Doughty are on the top of the depth chart at the two safety positions.

"That's so far ahead right now it's not even a thought," Schweigert

said. In fact, he isn't even sure if he's competing for spot at free safety or strong safety.

"I don't know what the situation is," he said. "With our defense, really, it allows both safeties to play both positions."

DAIMON EKLUND (AP)



Full speed: Carlos Rogers is back on the field just months after hurting his knee. Read that story and get up-to-the minute news on washingtonpost.com/sports.

Injuries Go Right Down Ravens' Line

Offensive tackle Terry goes down after filling in for injured Gaither

RAVENS | Baltimore Ravens starting offensive tackle Adam Terry was carted off the field Tuesday morning at McDaniel College clutching his left leg and screaming in pain after flipping over running back Ray Rice.

Terry underwent surgery in January to repair his left ankle and appears to have aggravated that injury. He didn't put any weight on it and was yelling and pounding his fist into the ground after getting



Jared Gaither injured his ankle Saturday. He was joined Tuesday by Adam Terry.

hurt during the contact drill.

The extent of the injury remains unknown and Terry is still undergoing tests. He is the Ravens' second starting tackle to be hurt seriously in the past four days.

Terry had shifted from right tackle to the left side to take over for Jared Gaither, who is out indefinitely with a sprained right ankle.

Former practice squad lineman Mike Kracalik filled in at left tackle for the rest of practice with third-round draft pick Oniel Cousins running playing right tackle.

"I'm not sure what you can attribute it to, but we're going hard and we want to go hard," center Jason

Brown said. "It's a consequence of the game."

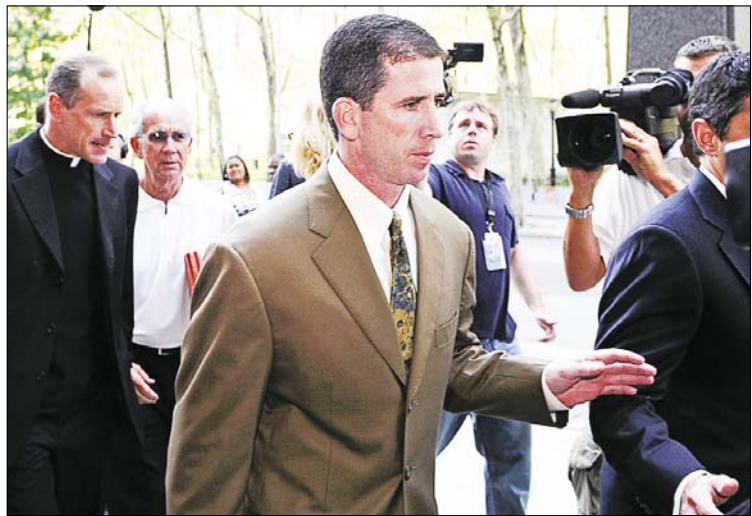
After Terry's injury, general manager Ozzie Newsome was on the field making calls on his cell phone after talking with coach John Harbaugh.

The Ravens were considering signing former Oakland Raiders offensive tackle Barry Sims this summer, but he opted to sign with the San Francisco 49ers.

Meanwhile, defensive tackle Haloti Ngata confirmed that he has a mildly sprained medial collateral ligament in his right knee.

"It's just a little minor thing," said Ngata, who is wearing a brace on his leg. "It's just a speed bump that I'm trying to get over. I'll be back sooner than you guys think." (AP)

Sports



Tim Donaghy walks into the courthouse for his sentencing hearing on Tuesday.

Ex-Ref Donaghy Gets 15 Months

Judge tells former official his gambling disgraced the NBA

NBA | Former NBA referee Tim Donaghy was sentenced to 15 months in prison Tuesday for setting off a gambling scandal that tarnished the league's reputation and raised questions about the integrity of its officiating.

The sentencing in Brooklyn federal court culminated a case that hung over the league throughout the season and even into the NBA finals. League commissioner David Stern has repeatedly denied Donaghy's claim that corruption among referees goes beyond him.

Donaghy's lawyer had asked U.S. District Judge Carol Amon to give his client probation, arguing Donaghy is a pathological gambler. Amon, who could have imposed a sentence of 33 months, gave the former ref credit for cooperating

with investigators but scolded him for disgracing the sport.

"The NBA, the players and the fans relied on him to perform his job in an honest manner," she said.

In addition to the prison time, the judge ordered Donaghy to serve

NOT OVER YET

Last week, two of Donaghy's old friends were sentenced to more than a year in prison for their roles:

→ Still pending is a report from the league into the Donaghy scandal and betting among officials. The NBA, which has made a handful of changes to its officiating program in the wake of the scandal, did not set a date for the report's release.

three years of supervised release.

Folding his arms but showing no other emotion, the 41-year-old Donaghy apologized to the court. "I brought shame on myself and my family," he said. **TOM HAYS (AP)**

TODAY'S TV LINEUP

ORIOLES (1 p.m. on MASN) Baltimore won't get out of the AL East cellar if it beats the Yankees in the series finale on Wednesday, but the team will be a game closer.

NATIONALS (7 p.m. on MASN2) Tim Redding is on the mound when the

Nationals play the Phillies, meaning Washington has a chance to take one from its NL East foe.

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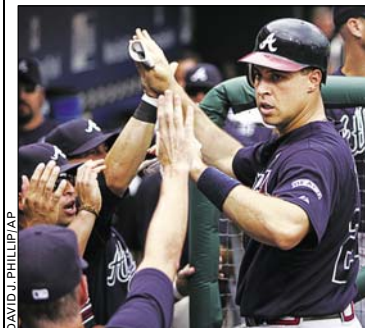
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Sports



Mark Teixeira has hit at least 26 homers every year since '03, his first year in MLB.

Angels Acquire Teixeira

First-place club sends infielder, pitching prospect to the Braves

BASEBALL | The Los Angeles Angels acquired slugging first baseman Mark Teixeira from the Atlanta Braves on Tuesday, a bold trade that further bolsters the team with the best record in the major leagues.

The Angels, with a whopping 11½-game lead in the AL West and primed for a World Series run, sent first baseman Casey Kotchman and minor league pitcher Steve Marek to Atlanta.

The deal came two days before baseball's deadline for making trades without waivers. Teixeira was among the top names in the rumor mill and should boost a club that wanted to add another big bat to back its potent pitching staff.

Teixeira, who is hitting .283 with 20 home runs and 78 RBI, is in the final year of his contract.

A two-time Gold Glove winner, Teixeira has hit at least 26 home runs every season since making his big-league debut with Texas in 2003. He hit a career-high 43 homers and was an All-Star in 2005.

Atlanta acquired Teixeira last July 31 at the trading deadline in a seven-player deal that sent catcher Jarrod Saltalamacchia to Texas. Beset by injuries, the Braves have struggled below .500 this year and fallen to the fringe of the NL East race. (AP)

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Sports

U.S. Gymnastics Still Has Big Hopes

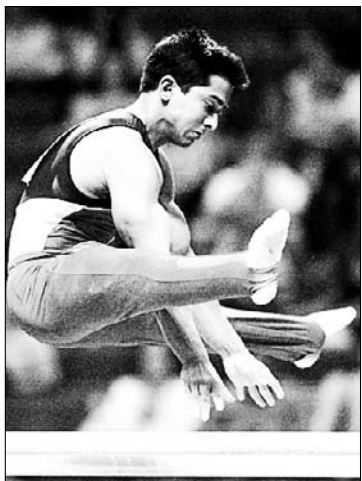
Squad knows it will be tougher to medal in Beijing without Hamm

OLYMPICS | The U.S. men are heading to the Beijing Olympics, their eyes still on the medals podium.

Without reigning Olympic champion Paul Hamm, though, getting there is going to be a lot tougher.

"We all know we have work left to do," Olympic coach Kevin Mazeika said.

The Americans were fourth at last fall's world championships, three missed routines from the bronze medal. Though only two members of that squad are back for Beijing, the U.S. men were confident they were better, sure to be medal contenders.



Raj Bhavsar, among America's best on parallel bars, will replace Paul Hamm.

In qualifying, teams use five gymnasts on each event and count the best four scores. That means they need four competitors on every event who will be consistent and contribute high scores — not as easy as it sounds when you consider some gymnasts only do three or four events.

Morgan Hamm, for example, doesn't do still rings or parallel bars, while Kevin Tan stays off floor and vault. Justin Spring doesn't do pommel horse.

Once a team gets to the finals, only three gymnasts compete on each event and all three scores count. With so little room for error — fall or botch a routine, and someone else is leaving with your medal — teams need gymnasts who can put up a blockbuster score and not screw it up.

"Paul at his best is irreplaceable. But I believe in my heart that the team goal is the same, and it's definitely within our potential," Bhavsar said. NANCY ARMOUR (AP)

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Maybe not the gold, for which China is the heavy favorite, but certainly the silver or bronze.

That, though, was before Hamm withdrew from the U.S. team Monday, saying he wouldn't be healthy enough to compete in Beijing.

Raj Bhavsar, picked to replace Hamm, is one of the Americans' best on rings, parallel bars and vault, and consistency won't be an issue on any event. But because of gymnastics' complicated scoring format and Hamm's all-around superiority, every one of the U.S. men is going to have to step up.

Favre Faxes His Paperwork to NFL

NFL | Brett Favre has faxed his reinstatement paperwork to the NFL and is awaiting approval from NFL commissioner Roger Goodell, league spokesman Randall Liu confirmed Tuesday.

Once Favre is granted reinstatement, a step considered a formal-

ity, the Packers will have 24 hours to release the star quarterback or return him to their active roster. Green Bay general manager Ted Thompson has said the team will not release Favre.

ESPN first reported that Favre sent the letter earlier Tuesday. (AP)

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The number of car and truck sales, in millions, that Toyota Motor Corp. is predicting for 2008. That number is down from a prior forecast of 9.85 million. Toyota reported a 21.4 percent drop in June U.S. sales to 193,234 cars and trucks.

A Tight-Fitting Shoe

BMW X6 is a letdown in terms of usefulness, although it looks good

IMPRACTICAL | Utility is not luxurious. Luxury is nonfunctional. Jimmy Choo stiletto sandals are, strictly speaking, shoes, but their functionality is all but surrendered to sex and gorgeousness. I for one am delighted. The toughest, most versatile, hardcore watch in the world is a Timex Ironman, but wearing one of these ugly timepieces makes you look like a substitute gym teacher.

Luxury sport-utility vehicles have to romance a compromise between utility and luxury, and the results are occasionally hilarious. I give you the 2008 BMW X6.

About as useful as a laminated pizza, the X6 is essentially a fastback version of the company's already smallish X5. The X6 has inspired the company's marketing department to new neologistic heights: Whereas BMW calls the X5 a "Sport Activity Vehicle," or SAV, the X6 is dubbed a "Sport Activity Coupe." The resulting acronym makes my inner 12-year-old fall off his chair.

Coupe? Really? This Bavarian beef-alo, this callipygian caribou, is a coupe? What we have here is a giant four-door sedan that weighs a half-ton more than it ought to,



The 2008 BMW X6, a 4,894-pound "Sport Activity Coupe," arrives this summer and offers a hilarious compromise of utility and luxury. The X6 features a twin-turbocharged 3.0-liter, 24-valve inline six with a six-speed automatic transmission.

The X6 is a failure as a sports machine. It's not much of an SUV either.

seats one less person that it should, carries fewer bags than the pencil-necked bellboy at the Four Seasons, and drives like an excellent BMW sedan with an elephant on

its back.

The X6 rates the lowest score on the Index of Usefulness in recent memory. The Index works like this: Rate any vehicle on a scale of 1 to 10 in the following, no-particular-order categories: speed, handling, affordability, fuel economy, styling, cargo capacity, comfort, off-road and all-weather intrepidity, and image making.

What is the X6 good at? That isn't a rhetorical question. It seats

four — not five, or seven, like the X5 — and the rear passengers must contend with the car's seriously sloped roof. The X6 is built alongside the X5 in South Carolina, so you'd think BMW would understand the havoc such a roofline wreaks on beehive hairdos.

Meanwhile, the cargo capacity shrivels to 25 cubic feet (compared to the X5's 40) and the space is long and low, unable to hold items such as dog cages, bicycles or multiple

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boxes of Jimmy Choos.

I drove an X6 xDrive 35i (jeez, even the name of the thing is tedious!), and it is certainly quick enough in a straight line.

The inline-six engine, the same as in the 135i and the 335i, puts out maximum torque between a mere 1,400 rpm and 5,000 rpm. Buttoned to the six-speeder, the engine provides a ceaseless willingness and intensity anywhere, all the time.

Still, you have to give BMW engineers credit. They have knitted a complex electronic safety net of traction, anti-lock and stability control, active suspension and steering, and something called Driving Performance Control.

Beautifully constructed, exquisitely appointed, heroically engineered, the X6 is nonetheless a failure as a sports machine. It's not much of an SUV either, because you can't get people or stuff into it.

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If gas prices went back down to \$.99 tomorrow, would people still be jumping on the ethanol/hybrid/green bandwagon? My argument is that the cars that allow more miles per gallon just make people feel better about driving more. The high gas prices should be a wake-up call to innovation and conservation.

Here's to hoping that gasoline prices don't fall below \$4 a gallon. That would be a disaster for all of the investments currently being made in alternative fuels and other fuel-efficient technologies. We are, unfortunately, an inherently selfish lot. When gasoline is cheap, we waste it because it costs us little. These high fuel prices are doing what a Congress incapable of leadership has refused to do. High gasoline prices are making us take more responsibility for our actions behind the wheel.

I hear the Hummer is dead. Good riddance to a useless pig of a car.

The trouble with schadenfreude is that it's reversible, as in here is the Hummer laughing at you. Welcome the newest Hummer, the Hummer 3T, a five-passenger Hummer pickup truck that debuts this fall for about \$31,000. And here's betting that the thing will sell. And here's suggesting that even if GM sells off the Hummer franchise, which it very well could, we'll be seeing Hummers somewhere for years to come.

Here's to hoping that gasoline prices don't fall below \$4 a gallon.

Warren, I'm thinking about buying a 2003 Pontiac Grand Am. It's fuel pump was recently replaced (last week). Do you think this is the sign of more problems to come?

Forget it. Buy a Chevrolet Cobalt, Toyota Yaris or Nissan Versa and be happy.



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GM Details Truck Production Cuts

DETROIT | General Motors Corp. on Monday detailed its plan for cutting North American truck production by nearly 300,000 units when it announced that it will eliminate 117,000 units of production from its truck plants by the end of the year.

GM said it will eliminate shifts at two truck plants and institute rolling temporary layoffs at several others yet this year. When added to the 170,000 cuts GM announced in June, Monday's actions are expected to reduce GM's total truck production by about 287,000 units and result in the layoff of about 1,760 workers.

During a cost-cutting announcement earlier this month, GM Chairman and CEO Rick Wagoner announced that the automak-

er would cut truck production by 300,000 units annually by the end of 2009 as part of efforts to adjust to a weak U.S. economy and the shift in consumer purchases from trucks to cars and crossovers. GM had not shared details about how it would achieve the total cuts until Monday.

"Basically, these actions are the detail of the changes that Rick Wagoner had announced earlier," said GM spokesman Tony Sapienza. "These actions reflect the continuing shift in our need to balance our production to consumer demand."

The new cuts are in addition to 170,000 units of truck production cuts — through intermittent shutdowns at seven plants — that GM announced on June 24. (AP)



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PUBLICITY STUNT? Michigan police arrested a man who tried to steal "Dark Night" posters from a cinema lobby while dressed up as the Joker. They found employees restraining a man wearing a purple suit, a green wig and face paint.

Prejudice and Pride

Local crime writer creates a poignant story about penance

REDEMPTION | At 51, Alex Pappas was a handsome man until he turned his head to show the scar that wormed below his drooping eye — the one he couldn't see out of very well. It was his penance, he said, for the mistake he'd made so many years ago.

It had started out as a teenage lark among white friends, Alex and his buddies driving fast through a black neighborhood, shouting racial epithets, then dashing away before anyone could get hurt. But the dash led to a dead end. The only way out was to turn around and run a gantlet of enraged black teens.

When it was over, one white boy was dead and another badly beaten, two black teens were in jail, and the survivors were left with a lifetime of regret. It had happened more than 30 years ago, but Alex could never forget. He was reminded every day when he looked in the mirror.

Now, Alex ran a little coffee shop in the Washington, D.C., neighborhood where he grew up. "Pappas and Sons," the sign still read, even though a heart attack had taken his father a few years back and one of Alex's two boys had been killed in Afghanistan. Still, Alex couldn't bear to change that sign.



PELECANOS' BRIEF: George Pelecanos' latest work, "The Turnaround," examines the lifelong consequences of one violent act.

Alex tried to be a good man, loving to his wife and remaining son, cheerful with his customers, kind and generous to the help. But now, the survivors of that old incident were trickling, one by one, back into his life. First Raymond, who now worked as a physical therapist at Walter Reed Army Hospital. Then his brother James, working as a mechanic after finally being released from prison for that long-

ago murder. Then Pete Whitten, a big-time attorney now, and Raymond Monroe, who'd never learned how to be anything but bad.

Soon, Alex realized he was about to learn what penance was really all about.

George Pelecanos is one of the most literary of America's crime writers, and "The Turnaround" is more than mere entertainment. This beautifully written novel is both a

fine crime story and a thoughtful exploration of race relations in the lives of ordinary Americans.

The novel superficially resembles Dennis Lehane's brilliant novel "Mystic River" (2001), in that both explore the lifelong consequences of one brief moment of childhood violence. But "Mystic River" is a savage book. Pelecanos tells a gentler story, his view of human nature more hopeful. **BRUCE DESILVA (AP)**



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CLASSIC | In the lexicon of music history, Motown's place in it will never be in doubt. This is a label that gave the world musical stalwarts such as Stevie Wonder, Diana Ross and the Temptations.

To mark the label's 50th anniversary, Time Life has issued "The Motown Collection," a 10-CD retrospective that encompasses the label's rich history from the 1960s onward. For neophytes to Motown, this set is a veritable Wikipedia. For those intimately familiar with it, it's like a visit from an old friend. The set is available in stores, but Time Life is offering a DVD performance bonus if you order it from its Web site or by phone. **MATT MOORE (AP)**



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John Mellencamp's "Life Death Love and Freedom" was written in just 15 days.

Musings of Mellencamp

Rocker reflects on a career that has spanned 23 albums

At a recent concert outside Detroit, John Mellencamp marveled about releasing his 23rd album, "Life Death Love and Freedom." "When I was a kid," he told the crowd, "I just wanted to make a record. That was it. I really had no vision I would be 56 years old and make 23 albums." But now the Indiana rocker once called Johnny Cougar finds himself 32 years into a career that continues to grow in craft and artistic vision. Mellencamp, inducted in the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame in March, is hardly resting on his laurels.

As you've said, "Life Death Love and Freedom" is not "a sing-along album." What was the creative mission you felt as you made it?

All of these songs were written in a 15-day period. I had no intention of writing songs for a record; [they] just sort of happened. One would be making an error to personalize these songs too much. [They] were written in the American Songbook tradition.

How would you describe the path you've taken during these 23 albums? I would contend there's been a thread through them all.

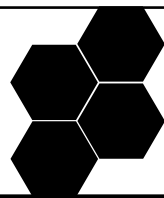
All of these records are the same to me. The songwriting all comes from the same place. But it's how we choose to use the band that changes. I have been fortunate enough to go from being a young man to an old man.

Musicians, including yourself, played an active role in the 2004 presidential election. What impact do you think you had, and what do you see as your role, if any, in this year's campaign?

Slowly but surely, this country changes by the men that we elect and admire. If my music can help change the culture in any small way, then let the change be near.

What made Hear Music a good fit for this album? Are you on a record-to-record deal with it?

Hear Music is strictly a logo now. This record is being worked by Concord Records. I was with PolyGram for 25 years, [so] I have no desire or need for any long-term record contracts." GARY GRAFF (BILLBOARD)



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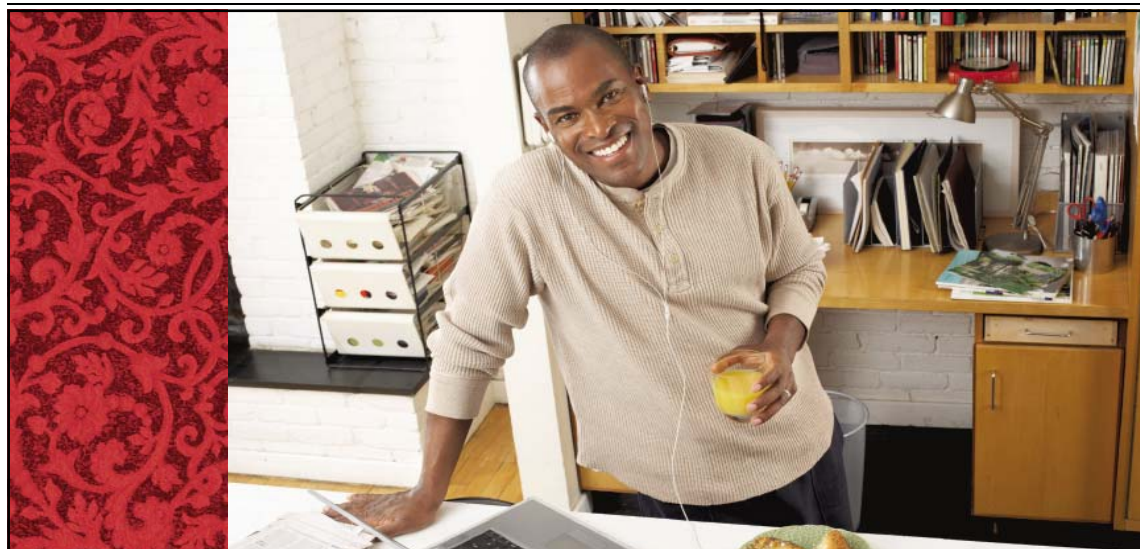
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Entertainment



SLATER IS, UH, SLATED: Mario Lopez will be the new solo host of "Extra," replacing co-hosts Mark McGrath and Dayna Devon. The former "Saved by the Bell" star will take over as anchor on Sept. 15, when the show begins its 15th season.

Mock, Shock the Vote

These candidates are not afraid of dirty campaigning

ROUGH | The video-game universe is bursting with cuddly animals. Characters like Sonic the Hedgehog, Crash Bandicoot, Ratchet, Dexter, Sly Cooper and the entire Pokemon family have built solid careers on a mix of athleticism and adorability. And they're all much cuter than their real-life counterparts.

What happens, though, when animals attack? When they stop playing nice and become remorse-

less killing machines?

Someday, perhaps, we'll see a video game in which the beasts overthrow their human oppressors and take over the world. Until then, we can watch them beat up on each other, and we can hope they aren't developing the skills to turn on us.

The concept behind the satirical party game "Hail to the Chimp" (Gamecock, for the Xbox 360, PlayStation 3, \$40) is perfect for this political year. The lion has been dethroned as king of the jungle, and the rest of the animals have decided to embrace democracy. The race for the presidency involves



In "Hail to the Chimp," animals battle for power via a slugfest — just like politicians.

dashing from one primary to the next, beating up your opponents and trying to collect the most clams. Not too different from the real thing.

In the game, however, you are literally beating on the competition — which could be a lot more fun if the design of "Hail to the Chimp" were a lot sharper. Four candidates are plopped into an arena, where they scramble around and slug each other until one grabs a certain number of clams. It's a button-mashing festival with little strategy.

The battles are broken up by parody newscasts with an anchor who sounds a little bit like Dan Rather. The jokes are heavy-handed and aren't funnier the 10th time. "Hail to the Chimp" deserves credit for an original premise, but the execution is so sloppy that it doesn't deserve your vote. **LOU KESTEN (AP)**

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SPACE CHIMPS (G) (1045 115 400) 615

WANTED (R) - ID REQ'D 845 PM

GALLERY PLACE STADIUM 14

701 Seventh St NW 800-FANDANGO 1721#

Adv. Tix on Sale PINEAPPLE EXPRESS (R) - ID REQ'D ★

Adv. Tix on Sale SWING VOTE (PG-13) ★

Adv. Tix on Sale THE MUMMY: TOMB OF THE DRAGON

EMPEROR (PG-13) ★

X-FILES: I WANT TO BELIEVE (PG-13) ★ (1130 215) 500 745 1025

STEP BROTHERS (R) - ID REQ'D (1115 1230 200) 330 440 645 730

945 1015

MAMMA MIA (PG-13) (1100 1240 140) 315 415 615 700 950

THE DARK KNIGHT (PG-13) (1215 100 130 300) 345 430 515 715 800

845 930 1000 1040

HELLBOY II: THE GOLDEN ARMY (PG-13) (1105 150) 435 735 1020

JOURNEY 3-D: \$2.50 ADDED FEE FOR 3-D (PG) ★ (1050 120 350)

650 910

HANCOCK (PG-13) (1210 230) 510 750 1045

WANTED (R) - ID REQ'D (1110 155) 445 800 1035

WALL-E (G) (1055 135) 405 705 925

OC & DA: DARK KNIGHT (PG-13) (1120) 630

UA SNOWDEN SQ STADIUM 14

9161 Commerce Ctr Dr 800-FANDANGO 570#

Adv. Tix on Sale PINEAPPLE EXPRESS (R) - ID REQ'D ★

Adv. Tix on Sale SWING VOTE (PG-13) ★

Adv. Tix on Sale THE MUMMY: TOMB OF THE DRAGON

EMPEROR (PG-13) ★

STEP BROTHERS (R) - ID REQ'D (1100 1145 130 215 400 500) 645

745 930 1030

X-FILES: I WANT TO BELIEVE (PG-13) ★ (1115 200 445) 730 1015

SPACE CHIMPS (G) (1200 230 445) 730 945

MAMMA MIA (PG-13) (1130 115 200 400 500) 645 745 930 1030

THE DARK KNIGHT (PG-13) (1100 1145 1230 115 215 300 345 430

530) 630 715 800 915 1000 1045

JOURNEY TO THE CENTER OF THE EARTH (PG) (1130 145 415) 630

HELLBOY II: THE GOLDEN ARMY (PG-13) (145 430) 1015

HANCOCK (PG-13) (1200 230 515) 800 1045

WALL-E (G) (1100 130 415) 700 945

GET SMART (PG-13) 915 PM

OC & DA: HELLBOY II: THE GOLDEN ARMY (PG-13) (1115) 730

MAJESTIC STADIUM 20

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Adv. Tix on Sale SWING VOTE (PG-13) ★

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EMPEROR (PG-13) ★

RW & DA: STEP BROTHERS (R) - ID REQ'D (Stadium) (1050 125 405)

645 925

STEP BROTHERS (R) - ID REQ'D (Stadium) (1145 225 505) 745 1025

X-FILES: I WANT TO BELIEVE (PG-13) ★ (Stadium) (1045 1130 110)

210 350 445 635 735 910 1010

SPACE CHIMPS (G) (Stadium) (1200 215 425) 650 855

MAMMA MIA (PG-13) (Stadium) (1100 1245 145 330 430) 615 715 900

1000

THE DARK KNIGHT (PG-13) (Stadium) (1045 1125 1150 1220 1250 130

205 245 310 340 410 450 525) 605 630 700 730 810 845 920 950 1020

MEET DAVE (PG) (Stadium) (150) 710

HELLBOY II: THE GOLDEN ARMY (PG-13) (Stadium) (1105 155 440)

725 1030

JOURNEY TO THE CENTER OF THE EARTH (PG) (Stadium) (1135

200 435) 705 935

HANCOCK (PG-13) (Stadium) (1225 250 510) 740 1015

WANTED (R) - ID REQ'D (Stadium) (1155 235 515) 755 1030

WALL-E (G) (Stadium) (1050 120 355) 625 850

KUNG FU PANDA (PG) (Stadium) (1110 415) 940

SEX AND THE CITY (R) - ID REQ'D (Stadium) (140) 420

850 1005

Free Family Film Festival Tue, Wed & Thu 10AM

ROYALE STADIUM 14

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Adv. Tix on Sale SWING VOTE (PG-13) ★

Adv. Tix on Sale THE MUMMY: TOMB OF THE DRAGON

EMPEROR (PG-13) ★

RW & DA: X-FILES: I WANT TO BELIEVE (PG-13) ★ (Stadium) (1040

130 420) 645 925

X-FILES: I WANT TO BELIEVE (PG-13) ★ (Stadium) (1130 210 450)

750 1010

STEP BROTHERS (R) - ID REQ'D (Stadium) (1140 220 505) 745 1025

THE DARK KNIGHT (PG-13) (Stadium) (1000 1150 1220 1250 130 310

340 410 440) 630 700 730 800 950 1020 1050

SPACE CHIMPS (G) (Stadium) (1010 1230 320) 520 735 945

MAMMA MIA (PG-13) (Stadium) (1100 150 430) 715 1000

HELLBOY II: THE GOLDEN ARMY (PG-13) (Stadium) (1110 200 435)

725 1005

JOURNEY TO THE CENTER OF THE EARTH (PG) (Stadium) (1020

1240 300 510) 740 1035

HANCOCK (PG-13) (Stadium) (1120 140 400) 720 930

WANTED (R) - ID REQ'D (Stadium) (1050 110 350) 755 1015

WALL-E (G) (Stadium) (1030 100 330) 640 920

BETHESDA 10

7272 Wisconsin Avenue 800-FANDANGO 569#

Adv. Tix on Sale PINEAPPLE EXPRESS (R) - ID REQ'D ★

Adv. Tix on Sale SWING VOTE (PG-13) ★

Adv. Tix on Sale THE MUMMY: TOMB OF THE DRAGON

EMPEROR (PG-13) ★

X-FILES: I WANT TO BELIEVE (PG-13) ★ (1230 300 530) 800 1030

STEP BROTHERS (R) - ID REQ'D (1215 245 515) 745 1010

SPACE CHIMPS (G) (1100 100 305 510) 715

MAMMA MIA (PG-13) (1200 230 500) 730 1000

THE DARK KNIGHT (PG-13) (1100 1150 1250 1215 310 410 530) 630 730

845 950 1040

JOURNEY TO THE CENTER OF THE EARTH (PG) (1200 230 445) 700

HANCOCK (PG-13) (1100 115 345) 605 830 1045

WALL-E (G) (1100 130 400) 630 900

GET SMART (PG-13) 915 PM

HELLBOY II: THE GOLDEN ARMY (PG-13) 920 PM

BOWIE STADIUM 14

15200 Major Lansdale Blvd 800-FANDANGO 454#

Adv. Tix on Sale PINEAPPLE EXPRESS (R) - ID REQ'D ★

Adv. Tix on Sale SWING VOTE (PG-13) ★

Adv. Tix on Sale THE MUMMY: TOMB OF THE DRAGON

EMPEROR (PG-13) ★

STEP BROTHERS (R) - ID REQ'D (1030 1145 100 200 345 430) 630

715 845 945 1115

X-FILES: I WANT TO BELIEVE (PG-13) ★ (1200 230 500) 745 1015

THE DARK KNIGHT (PG-13) (1000 1145 1215 1245 115 315 330 400

445) 630 700 730 815 1000 1030 1100

SPACE CHIMPS (G) (1200 230 500) 730 945

JOURNEY 3-D: \$2.50 ADDED FEE FOR 3-D (PG) ★ (1130 145 400)

615 830 1045

HELLBOY II: THE GOLDEN ARMY (PG-13) (1045 130 415) 715 1045

MAMMA MIA (PG-13) (1130 200 430) 700 1000

HANCOCK (PG-13) (1100 115 345) 615 815 1030

WANTED (R) - ID REQ'D (1015 1245 315) 600 845 1115

WALL-E (G) (1030 100 330) 600 830 1100

Free Family Film Festival Tue & Wed 10AM

GERMANTOWN STADIUM 14

20000 Century Blvd 800-FANDANGO 455#

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Adv. Tix on Sale SWING VOTE (PG-13) ★

Adv. Tix on Sale THE MUMMY: TOMB OF THE DRAGON

EMPEROR (PG-13) ★

STEP BROTHERS (R) - ID REQ'D (1100 1200 145 245 430 530) 730

815 1000 1045

X-FILES: I WANT TO BELIEVE (PG-13) ★ (1100 1145 130 230 415)

515) 715 800 1000 1045

THE DARK KNIGHT (PG-13) (1220 1250 120 310 340 410 440) 700 730

800 950 1020 1050

OC & DA: DARK KNIGHT (PG-13) (1150) 630

MAMMA MIA (PG-13) (100 400) 700 945

SPACE CHIMPS (G) (1130 145 415) 645 930

HELLBOY II: THE GOLDEN ARMY (PG-13) (1115 200 445) 745 1030

JOURNEY TO THE CENTER OF THE EARTH (PG) (1115 130 400) 715

HANCOCK (PG-13) (1200 230 500) 745 1015

WANTED (R) - ID REQ'D 1015 PM

WALL-E (G) (100 345) 645 915

BALLSTON COMMON STADIUM 12

671 N Glebe Rd 800-FANDANGO 377#

Adv. Tix on Sale PINEAPPLE EXPRESS (R) - ID REQ'D ★

X-FILES: I WANT TO BELIEVE (PG-13) ★ (1120 1200 200 240 440

520) 720 800 1000 1040

MAMMA MIA (PG-13) (1130 140 220 420 500) 710 750 950 1030

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THE IMAX EXPERIENCE
KUNG FU PANDA: THE IMAX EXPERIENCE (PG)
6:45, 9:20
SPACE STATION 3D (NR-NOT RATED) 12:35, 4:00

DIGITAL 3D
JOURNEY TO THE CENTER OF THE EARTH (PG) 1:50, 4:25, 7:05, 9:40

Surf's Up (PG)
\$1.00 Summer MovieCamp 10:00 AM
STEP BROTHERS (R) 12:05, 1:30, 2:55, 4:30, 5:40, 7:45, 8:30, 10:30
THE X-FILES: I WANT TO BELIEVE (PG13) 1:25, 2:45, 4:15, 5:30, 7:10, 8:25, 9:55
THE DARK KNIGHT (PG13) 12:00, 12:30, 1:40, 2:40, 3:10, 3:40, 4:10, 5:20, 6:20, 7:00, 7:30, 8:00, 9:00, 10:00
THE DARK KNIGHT (PG13) 2:10, 5:50, 9:30
MAMMA MIA! (PG13) 12:15, 1:20, 3:05, 4:40, 5:45, 7:25, 8:45
SPACE CHIMPS (G) 12:20, 2:30, 4:35, 7:00
HELLBOY II: THE GOLDEN ARMY (PG13) 12:40, 3:35, 6:40, 7:20, 9:50, 10:20
MEET DAVE (PG) 1:10, 4:05
HANCOCK (PG13) 1:00, 2:20, 3:25, 5:00, 6:10, 7:35, 9:10, 10:10
WALL-E (G) 12:45, 3:20, 5:55, 8:40
WANTED (R) 12:25, 3:25, 6:30, 9:35
GET SMART (PG13) 12:10, 4:20, 7:15, 10:05
INDIANA JONES AND THE KINGDOM OF THE CRYSTAL SKULL (PG13) 9:15 PM

AMC COLUMBIA MALL 14

10300 Patuxent Parkway
703-998-4AMC

THE IMAX EXPERIENCE
KUNG FU PANDA: THE IMAX EXPERIENCE (PG)
3:00, 7:40, 10:05
SPACE STATION 3D (NR-NOT RATED) 11:30, 1:25, 5:40

DIGITAL 3D
JOURNEY TO THE CENTER OF THE EARTH (PG)
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HELLBOY II: THE GOLDEN ARMY (PG13) 1:20, 4:15, 7:15, 10:20
HANCOCK (PG13) 12:25, 2:40, 5:05, 7:25, 9:40
WALL-E (G) 11:20, 2:00, 4:40, 7:05, 9:25
WANTED (R) 1:15, 3:55, 6:30, 9:10
GET SMART (PG13) 9:45 PM

LOEWS GEORGETOWN 14

3111 K Street, N.W.
202-342-6441

DIGITAL 3D
JOURNEY TO THE CENTER OF THE EARTH (PG)
12:10, 2:35, 5:10, 7:50, 10:20

STEP BROTHERS (R) ✓ 12:20, 2:10, 3:00, 4:50, 5:45, 7:30, 8:15, 10:00
THE X-FILES: I WANT TO BELIEVE (PG13) ✓ 12:05, 1:40, 2:40, 4:20, 5:20, 7:10, 8:10, 10:10
THE DARK KNIGHT (PG13) 12:00, 1:30, 2:30, 3:35, 5:00, 6:00, 7:00, 8:30, 9:30, 10:35
MAMMA MIA! (PG13) 12:10, 1:50, 2:45, 4:30, 5:30, 7:15, 8:20, 9:55
MAMMA MIA! (PG13) 1:50, 4:30, 7:15, 9:55
HELLBOY II: THE GOLDEN ARMY (PG13) 1:20, 4:10
HANCOCK (PG13) 12:30, 2:20, 5:05, 7:40, 10:25
WALL-E (G) 12:00, 2:25, 4:45, 10:30
WANTED (R) 2:00, 4:40, 7:25, 10:30
SEX AND THE CITY (R) 7:20, 10:35

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AMC POTOMAC MILLS 18

2700 Potomac Mills Circle, Ste 886
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THE IMAX EXPERIENCE
KUNG FU PANDA: THE IMAX EXPERIENCE (PG)
3:00, 6:45, 9:15
SPACE STATION 3D (NR-NOT RATED) 1:25, 5:15

DIGITAL 3D
JOURNEY TO THE CENTER OF THE EARTH (PG)
12:25, 2:50, 5:20, 7:50, 10:15

Surf's Up (PG)
\$1.00 Summer MovieCamp ✓ 10:00 AM
STEP BROTHERS (R) ✓ 12:05, 1:50, 2:40, 4:20, 5:05, 6:50, 7:35, 9:20, 10:10
THE X-FILES: I WANT TO BELIEVE (PG13) ✓ 1:55, 4:40, 7:25, 10:00
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SPACE CHIMPS (G) 12:15, 2:35, 4:50, 7:10
HELLBOY II: THE GOLDEN ARMY (PG13) 1:40, 4:30, 7:20, 10:10
MEET DAVE (PG) 12:05, 2:20, 4:55
HANCOCK (PG13) 12:40, 3:10, 5:35, 8:00, 10:25
WALL-E (G) 12:00, 2:25, 5:10, 7:40, 10:05
WANTED (R) 7:15, 9:55
GET SMART (PG13) 9:35 PM

AMC COURTHOUSE PLAZA 8

Courthouse and Birch Rd.
703-998-4AMC

STEP BROTHERS (R) ✓ 2:20, 3:20, 4:40, 5:40, 7:10, 8:10, 9:30
SPACE CHIMPS (G) 2:25, 4:30, 6:30, 8:30
HELLBOY II: THE GOLDEN ARMY (PG13) 4:10, 7:00, 9:40
GET SMART (PG13) 2:30, 5:00, 7:40, 10:10
THE INCREDIBLE HULK (PG13) 2:00, 4:35, 7:20, 9:50
SEX AND THE CITY (R) 1:50, 4:50, 7:50
IRON MAN (PG13) 2:10, 5:10, 8:00

MAGIC JOHNSON CAPITAL CENTRE 12

800 Shopper's Way, Largo
301-324-4220

Surf's Up (PG)
\$1.00 Summer MovieCamp 10:00 AM
STEP BROTHERS (R) 12:25, 2:45, 5:15, 7:45, 10:05
THE X-FILES: I WANT TO BELIEVE (PG13) 12:10, 2:35, 5:10, 7:40, 10:05
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SPACE CHIMPS (G) 12:20, 3:00, 5:25, 7:50, 10:00
HELLBOY II: THE GOLDEN ARMY (PG13) 7:15, 10:15
JOURNEY TO THE CENTER OF THE EARTH (PG) 12:05, 2:20, 4:55
MEET DAVE (PG) 12:05, 2:25, 4:50, 7:20, 9:50
HANCOCK (PG13) 1:35, 4:05, 6:30, 7:30, 9:00, 10:05
WALL-E (G) 12:35, 2:50, 5:05, 7:25, 9:55
WANTED (R) 1:10, 4:10, 7:10, 10:10
KUNG FU PANDA (PG) 12:30, 2:55, 5:20

LOEWS SHIRLINGTON 7

2772 South Randolph
703-671-0910 801

AMC SELECT
BRIDESHEAD REVISITED (PG13) 1:50, 4:25, 7:10, 9:50
TELL NO ONE (NR-NOT RATED) 2:00, 4:30, 7:00, 9:40
THE WACKNESS (R) 2:20, 4:50, 7:10, 9:20
MONGOL (R) 2:10, 4:40, 7:20, 9:50
THE FALL (R) 1:40, 4:20, 7:00, 9:30
THEN SHE FOUND ME (R) 1:30, 4:10, 7:50, 10:00
THE VISITOR (PG13) 1:40, 3:50, 7:40, 9:55

LOEWS UPTOWN 1

3426 Connecticut Avenue N.W.
1-800-FANDANGO #713

THE DARK KNIGHT (PG13) 12:00, 3:30, 7:05, 10:45

AMC TYSONS CORNER 16

7850 Tysons Corner Center
703-998-4262

DIGITAL 3D
JOURNEY TO THE CENTER OF THE EARTH (PG)
10:40, 1:00, 3:20, 5:40, 8:00, 10:25

STEP BROTHERS (R) 10:55, 12:05, 1:20, 2:35, 3:50, 5:10, 6:20, 7:40, 8:50, 10:10, 11:15
THE X-FILES: I WANT TO BELIEVE (PG13) 11:05, 12:15, 1:35, 2:55, 4:20, 5:25, 7:00, 8:05, 9:35, 10:40
THE DARK KNIGHT (PG13) 10:25, 11:25, 12:30, 1:45, 2:50, 3:55, 5:05, 6:15, 7:20, 8:30, 9:40, 10:50
MAMMA MIA! (PG13) 12:20, 3:10, 5:55, 8:35, 11:10
MAMMA MIA! (PG13) 11:10, 1:50, 4:35, 7:15, 9:55
SPACE CHIMPS (G) 10:25, 12:35, 2:45, 4:55, 7:00, 9:15
HELLBOY II: THE GOLDEN ARMY (PG13) 10:45, 1:30, 4:30, 7:30, 10:15
WALL-E (G) 11:15, 1:55, 4:30, 7:05, 9:30
WANTED (R) 3:00, 5:35, 8:10, 10:45
GET SMART (PG13) 10:35, 1:15, 4:05, 7:10, 10:00
KUNG FU PANDA (PG) 10:30 AM, 12:45 PM

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STEP BROTHERS (R) ✓ 12:40, 3:10, 5:40, 8:00, 10:20
THE X-FILES: I WANT TO BELIEVE (PG13) ✓ 12:30, 2:50, 5:15, 7:50, 10:15
THE DARK KNIGHT (PG13) 12:00, 3:30, 7:00, 10:30
MAMMA MIA! (PG13) 2:00, 4:30, 7:20, 10:00
SPACE CHIMPS (G) 12:10, 2:20, 4:40
HELLBOY II: THE GOLDEN ARMY (PG13) 7:30, 10:25
HANCOCK (PG13) 12:50, 3:00, 5:20, 7:40, 10:10
WALL-E (G) 12:20, 2:40, 5:00, 7:15, 9:40

LOEWS RIO CINEMAS 18

9811 Washingtonian Boulevard
301-948-0906

DIGITAL 3D
JOURNEY TO THE CENTER OF THE EARTH (PG)
12:55, 3:20, 5:35, 8:00, 10:25

STEP BROTHERS (R) ✓ 1:40, 4:30, 7:15, 9:45
STEP BROTHERS (R) 12:50, 3:15, 5:45, 8:20, 10:50
THE X-FILES: I WANT TO BELIEVE (PG13) ✓ 12:30, 1:55, 3:10, 4:40, 5:55, 7:30, 8:30, 10:15, 11:00
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MAMMA MIA! (PG13) 12:15, 1:35, 2:55, 4:25, 5:40, 7:20, 8:15, 10:00
SPACE CHIMPS (G) 12:05, 2:05, 4:10, 6:15, 8:40, 10:45
HELLBOY II: THE GOLDEN ARMY (PG13) 2:15, 5:00, 7:55, 10:55
HANCOCK (PG13) 12:35, 3:00, 5:50, 8:10, 10:35
WALL-E (G) 12:25, 2:45, 5:10, 7:35, 9:55
WANTED (R) 5:20, 8:05, 10:45
GET SMART (PG13) 1:00, 3:35, 6:10, 9:00
KUNG FU PANDA (PG) 12:10, 2:40
INDIANA JONES AND THE KINGDOM OF THE CRYSTAL SKULL (PG13) 5:05, 7:50, 10:40

AMC SELECT
KIT KITTREDGE: AN AMERICAN GIRL (G) 12:20, 2:50

LOEWS WHITE FLINT 5

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THE X-FILES: I WANT TO BELIEVE (PG13) 1:10, 3:25, 5:50, 8:10
THE DARK KNIGHT (PG13) 1:05, 4:15, 7:30
MAMMA MIA! (PG13) 1:35, 4:10, 7:15
HANCOCK (PG13) 1:15, 3:30, 5:40, 7:45
WALL-E (G) 1:10, 3:30, 5:50, 8:00

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Television



NOTHING OFFICIAL ... YET: Miley Cyrus has said that this season of "Hannah Montana" may be the last. No word on what she plans to do after the phenomenally successful sitcom ends, but we're keeping our fingers crossed for "King Lear in 3-D."

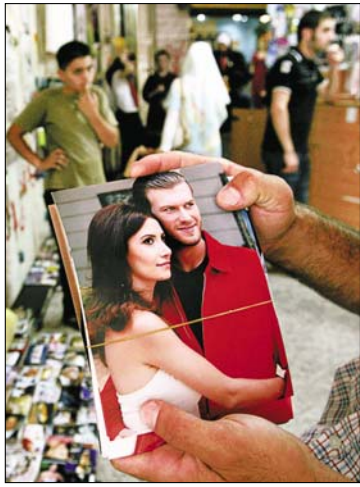
Subversive *and* Romantic

Turkish TV drama grips the imagination of the Arab world

SOAP OPERA | Every evening for the past four months, a tall young man with soulful blue eyes has been stealing hearts across the Middle East, from the refugee camps of the Gaza Strip to the gated mansions of Riyadh.

But it's not just the striking good looks of Mohannad, hero of the hugely popular Turkish TV soap "Noor," that appeal to female viewers. He's romantic, attentive to his wife, Noor, supportive of her independence and ambitions as a fashion designer — in short, a rare gem for women in conservative, male-dominated surroundings

"Noor" delivers an idealized por-



AS SEEN ON TV: A West Bank man holds a photo of the stars of "Noor."

trayal of modern married life as an equal partnership — clashing with the norms of traditional Middle Eastern societies where elders

often have the final word on who a woman should marry, and many are still confined to the role of wife and mother.

Some Muslim preachers in the West Bank and Saudi Arabia have taken notice, saying the show is un-Islamic and urging the faithful to change channels. But all the same, the show may be planting seeds of change.

"I told my husband, 'learn from him [Mohannad] how he treats her, how he loves her, how he cares about her,'" said Heba Hamdan, 24, a housewife from Amman, Jordan. Married straight out of college, she said the show inspired her to go out and look for a job.

In Saudi Arabia, the only country with ratings, about 3 million to 4 million people watch daily.

KARIN LAUB AND DALIA NAMMARI (AP)

ON TV TONIGHT

SHARK! SHARK! AHH!

SHARK WEEK continues with "Jaws of the Pacific" (8 p.m., Discovery) and a second two-hour shark-themed "Mythbusters" (9 p.m.).

FIGHTING FOSSILS

NOVA SCIENCENOW (9 p.m., PBS, check local listings) looks at NASA's latest trip to Mars, a cancer pioneer and the discovery of the prehistoric remains of two mammoths locked in battle.

YOU GOTTA CRY AND CUT

A special outfit for a client's special day may be less than special for some designers on **PROJECT RUNWAY** (9 p.m., Bravo). Is it just me, or has there been a distinct lack of Tim Gunn this season? He's the one who makes it work.

MIDDLE KINGDOM

Armchair travelers who won't be making it to the Olympic Games can enjoy **SEVEN WONDERS OF CHINA** (10 p.m., Travel), an hour-long exploration of engineering marvels dating back thousands of years,



OH, NO! Tory Belleci suspects nothing on the "Mythbusters" shark special.

including the Great Wall of China and two gravity-defying temples built right into sheer cliff faces.

THE TRUTH IS ... SOMEWHERE

David Duchovny, Katharine McPhee and Wendy Liebman appear on **JIMMY KIMMEL LIVE** (12:05 a.m., ABC). KEVIN MCDONOUGH (UNITED FEATURE SYNDICATE)

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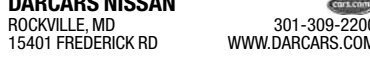
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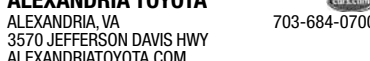
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FIONA ZUBLIN (EXPRESS)

TAKE YOUR PICK

Nothing says "summer" like fresh blackberries. And if you've only ever had those little puny ones they sell in grocery stores that are kind of sour and shriveled up from hours and hours in the back of a truck, you're



MARGARET THOMAS/TWP

PUT YOURS HERE: Butt's Tubes rents out small crafts for your floating pleasure.

missing out. Go pick your own! At Butler's Orchard in Germantown, you can get out in the sun to gather blueberries and blackberries. Two warnings: Wear sunscreen and

watch out for thorns.

FLOAT ON

If you work an 80-hour week, the idea of physical exercise on your days

off might not be appealing. But there are "sports" that allow you to just relax — like floating down the river in an inner tube. Butt's Tubes (yes, that's what it's called) rents kayaks and rafts for the more adventurous water enthusiasts, but it also has inner tubes for the days you feel lazy.

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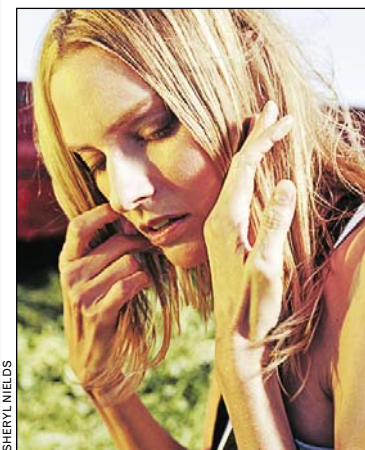
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→ *Butler's Orchard, 22200 Davis Mill Road, Germantown; 301-972-3299.*

→ *Butt's Tubes, 10967 Harpers Ferry Road, Loudoun Heights; 800-836-9911.*

→ *Washington Area Roadskaters, skatedc.org.*

thescene



SHERYL NIELDS

Indie singer-songwriter Aimee Mann plays the 9:30 Club this Saturday night.

THURSDAY

Calvin Richardson: A classic R&B performer. Birchmere Music Hall, 3701 Mt. Vernon Ave., Alexandria; 7:30 p.m., \$35; 703-549-7500.

"Octopussy": An outdoor showing of the classic Bond film. Florida and New York avenues; dusk, free; 202-289-0111. (New York Avenue)

J*DaVeY: Punk-funk duo. Bohemian Caverns, 2003 11th St. NW; 8 p.m., \$15; 202-299-0800. (U St.-Cardozo)

FRIDAY

"Hairspray": A free showing of the movie musical about accepting yourself for who you are. Woodmont Triangle, Norfolk and Auburn avenues, Bethesda; 9 p.m., free; 301-215-6660. (Bethesda)

Queer Queens of Comedy: This is exactly what it sounds like. Birchmere Music Hall, 3701 Mt. Vernon Ave., Alexandria; 7:30 p.m., \$25; 703-573-7328.

Jupiter One: New-wave New York City rockers. Iota, 2832 Wilson Blvd., Arlington; 9:30 p.m., \$10; 703-522-8340. (Clarendon)

SATURDAY

Aimee Mann: The acclaimed indie singer-songwriter performs. 9:30 Club, 815 V St. NW, 8 p.m., \$35; 202-265-0930. (U St.-Cardozo)

"Bee Movie": Experience the retro glamour of a drive-in movie and the poignant story of an insect who just wants to ... no, forget it. No bee puns. We refuse. Trinity Centre, 5875 Trinity Parkway, Centreville; dusk, free; 301-258-6350.

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topstops



Madame Speaker

As the first female speaker of the House, Nancy Pelosi is a trailblazer. She's been a political presence in Washington for decades, breaking barriers all the while. And her new book, "Know Your Power: A Message to America's Daughters," chronicles her transformation from stay-at-home mom to one of the most influential people in our government.

She'll be speaking about her history, politics and the role of gender in all of the above at the Sixth and I Synagogue tonight. For less than \$25, you can get two tickets to the lecture and a copy of her book. Yes, that's in your power. F.Z.

→ *Sixth and I Historic Synagogue, 600 I St. NW; 7 p.m., \$23.95 for two tickets and a copy of her new book; 202-408-3100. (Gallery Place)*

The Screen Is Oh-So Green

My favorite thing about "An Inconvenient Truth" might be the title. So direct, so accurate: yes, we are definitely killing the planet, and, no, it's not going to be easy to clean it up. And as miserable as that sounds, Al Gore lets you know (with the help of his giant virtual Earth) that there is hope. Get involved! But first, see the movie tonight, outside and for free in Bethesda. K.E.

→ *Woodmont Triangle, Norfolk and Auburn avenues, Bethesda; 9 p.m., free; 301-215-6660. (Bethesda)*



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Summer of Love Redux

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→ *Wolf Trap, Filene Center, 1551 Trap Road, Vienna; 8 p.m., \$25-\$42; 877-965-3872.*

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In its bid to go global, Facebook is facing off against itself.

Clones of the wunderkind social-networking Web site — some of which resemble Facebook right down to color, font and layout — have popped up in local languages around the world. These competitor sites offer identical core services, letting users post pictures, make groups and choose their friends.

All are complicating Facebook Inc.'s global campaign, which began in February and has since rolled out 18 foreign-language editions, including Norwegian and Czech, with plans for 54 more.

Facebook's international challenges illustrate just some of the ways global expansion can bedevil major U.S. Web companies as they seek swarms of users and advertising dollars in new markets.

“You can spend your time worrying about competitors, or you can spend your time innovating.”

ALEX MOSKALYUK, FACEBOOK

Facebook's particular problem is winning over people who are already hooked on local-language sites hawking similar services with a similar look.

In Russia, for example, where Facebook launched last month, the entrenched social-networking engine online is Vkontakte, a Russian-language Facebook clone that boasts more than 14 million users.

Facebook officials predict they will eventually triumph, partly because they can spend more resources on improving their site than upstarts can. Facebook also has a strong network of outside programmers who write Web applications for the site, and the company said last week it would extend its translation tools to those developers, to make Facebook even more compelling for overseas markets.

Plus, its users can connect with friends from other countries, something local sites can't offer.

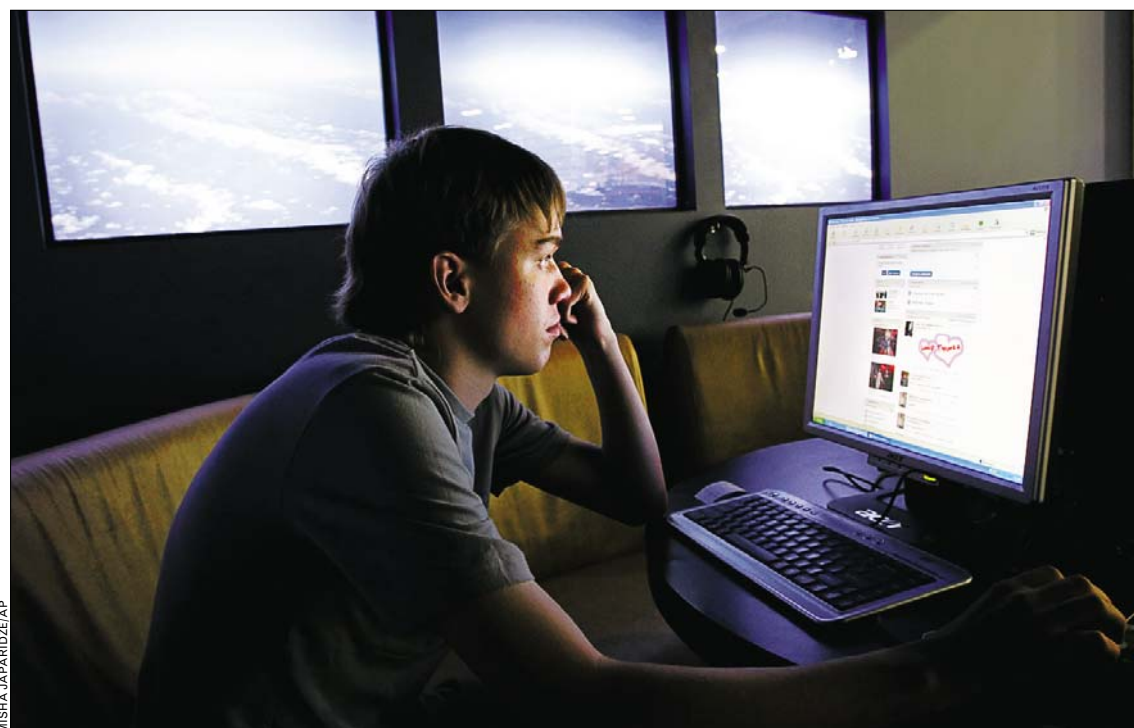
“They can gain traction in individual countries, but they are not going to be able to compete on a global scale,” Facebook spokeswoman Jaime Schopflin said.

But social-networking sites mirror real life, and many Russians dread moving to a neighborhood where they have no friends.

“All of my Russian friends are on Vkontakte,” said Moscow resident Galina Ryazanova, 21, a recent college graduate who uses both Web sites. “I don't think they'll switch to Facebook, because everyone is already established on Vkontakte.”

Ryazanova visits Facebook about once a month to keep up with her non-Russian friends, she said, but uses Vkontakte three or four times a week. She criticized Facebook for adding too many distracting applications and for allowing users to translate part of the site — producing what she called poor-quality Russian.

Facebook dominates the social-networking market in many English-language countries and is growing quickly elsewhere. It is the most popular social-networking site in Britain and one of the top three in France, tracking company



POKE ME!: Nikita Glushik, 19, explores Vkontakte, a Russian replica of Facebook, at an Internet cafe in Moscow, Russia.

Facebooks in the Crowd



Mark Zuckerberg, founder and CEO of Facebook, is finding his concept imitated.

comScore reported.

But in countries such as Germany and Russia, where competitor sites have taken root, Facebook seems to be gaining ground more slowly. According to comScore, Germany's StudiVZ and Russia's Vkontakte are widely outdrawing Facebook.

Facebook software engineer Alex Moskalyuk said his company has no direct strategy to attract users from competitor sites.

“You can spend your time worrying about the competitors, or you can spend your time innovating your product,” he said.

That strategy apparently changed this month, when Facebook filed an intellectual-property lawsuit against German clone StudiVZ in a federal court in California.

Though Facebook claims StudiVZ unfairly copied its content, StudiVZ says Facebook is trying to stifle the competition as it pursues the global market. The face-off has fueled speculation that a string of lawsuits against clone sites could begin.

Microsoft snared 1.6 percent of Facebook for \$240 million in 2007, valuing Facebook at roughly \$15 billion. Investors poured \$430 million this year into the parent company behind China's Facebook-like Xiaonei. Der Spiegel reported that a publishing company bought StudiVZ for \$132 million in 2007.

“Facebook is American, and Vkontakte is Russian — that's the main difference,” Ryazanova said. “It's going to be tough for Facebook to displace Vkontakte.”

PAUL SONNE (AP)

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LIFE & STUFF

Cool Face

We know you're guilty of glancing at your college roommate's updated quotes on Facebook on company time and monitoring status updates like a hawk. But Facebook isn't for just college students anymore, and Emily Barton has some tips on how to maintain your (relative) cool. | COMING UP



MUSIC

Fresh Cream

Jack Bruce will appear at Hippiest on Wednesday at Wolf Trap, and Rudi Greenberg caught up with the Cream bassist to ask him about his favorite memories with that super-group and from his solo career. Plus, Bruce gives us the scoop on a possible Cream reunion. | COMING UP

LIFE & STUFF

Free Experience

Music was blaring, and scantily clad students were bellying up to the bar at Hawk 'n' Dove. Elizabeth Simins was there, too, and she talked to her fellow "free workers" and compiled a list of nine lessons about interning in the District. | COMING UP



comment board

“I like the freedom of not feeling like I'm watched all the time in my car. I'm sorry, but it's worth that small amount of money to me to not have another hang-up while driving.”

COMMENTER CRAZY, WHO ADDED, “I GUESS IT DEPENDS ON WHAT THE MONITOR DOES, THOUGH.”



“I wonder how many people who vote 'no' on this have no problem buying a car with OnStar or that newer Microsoft technology in Ford vehicles. They probably also have GPS-enabled cell phones, too.”

COMMENTER SAM, RESPONDING TO TUESDAY'S POLL CENTER QUESTION, “WOULD YOU LET YOUR INSURER PUT A MONITOR IN YOUR CAR IN EXCHANGE FOR LOWER RATES?”

“Absolutely not.

Putting a camera in your car — for the express purpose of someone else's use — waives any privacy right to the content.”

COMMENTER ANOTHER PERSON, WHO ADDED, “ANYTHING YOU SAY THAT IS RECORDED IN THAT CAR COULD NOT BE PROTECTED.”

poll center YESTERDAY'S RESULTS AS OF 5 P.M.

WOULD YOU LET YOUR INSURER PUT A MONITOR IN YOUR CAR IN EXCHANGE FOR LOWER RATES?

YES 68%

NO 32%

SEE HOW YOUR METRO STATION VOTED AT EXPRESSNIGHTOUT.COM/POLLCENTER

Blog LOG

“Did it really take Dr Pepper this long to think to enlist someone with the name doctor? Wow. Well, better late than never.”

SOGOODBLOG.COM IS GLAD TO SEE JULIUS “DR. J” ERVING DOING COMMERCIALS FOR THE SODA BRAND, WHICH ENDS WITH THE TAGLINE, “TRUST ME, I'M A DOCTOR.”



KATHERINE FREY/TWP

“I did love the mom [who said] her kids are so busy lolling about in the mud she doesn't have time to worry about shopping cart handles.”

SHANNONSTAMEY.BLOGSPOT.COM REACTS TO AN ARTICLE ABOUT CHEVY CHASE SUPERMARKET'S CART WASH, ADDING, “I'M SURE HER NEIGHBORS GAVE HER HELL, BUT I SALUTE HER COMMON SENSE.”



“I HAVE 20 Whole Foods grocery bags in [my] trunk. I never remember to bring them into the store with me, so I continue to find myself buying new ones. I could just use the paper — but it's now a matter of principle. That was the point in buying the first one.”

THEBIGPIECEOFCAKE.COM HAS CASH TO BURN NOT JUST ON GROCERIES FROM WHOLE FOODS, BUT APPARENTLY ALSO ON HER BAGS FOR THEM.

“We both [stood] there quietly thinking about the conversation we just had and kind of side-glancing at each other. It felt like two men looking in opposite directions in time.”

VKSEMPIREOFDIRT.COM HAD A CONVERSATION WITH A MAN NOT UNLIKE HIMSELF, EXCEPT 20 YEARS OLDER, ON AN ELEVATOR ON THE WAY TO HAPPY HOUR, WHILE THE OTHER WAS HEADED HOME TO HIS FAMILY.

Discussions

Gregg Gillis

GREGG GILLIS, who goes by the stage name Girl Talk, was online Tuesday to discuss his music, his new album, called “Feed the Animals,” and distributing the album online.

Radiohead has already come out to say that it wouldn't offer another “pay what you want” album in the future. Given your experience with the profit margins and the amount of exposure afforded by the model, would you consider releasing another album this way?

Definitely! I want to get the music out to as many people as quickly as possible. This seems like the easiest way to do it right now! Buying any form of music seems



Gregg Gillis, center, is open to the new methods of album and song distribution.

donation-based to me. If you are going to pick up a CD from a store, you are basically donating some cash to that cause, because, most likely, you could just download it free. I'd rather be up-front with the people who are spending money on my music.

If an artist specifically states that the

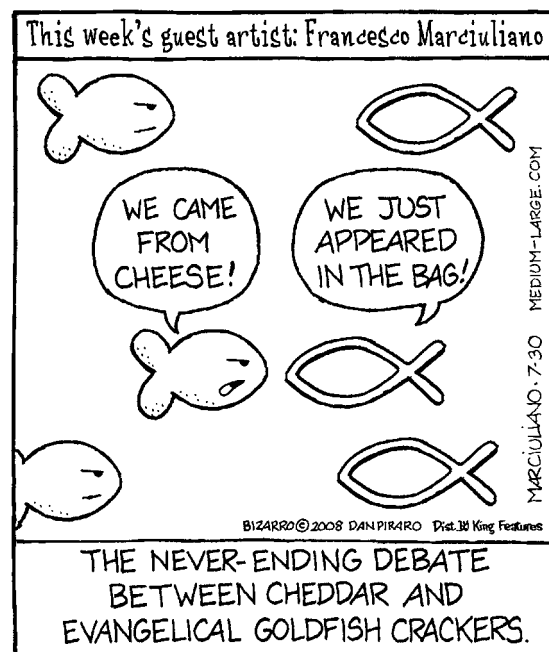
artist never wants his or her music mixed by another, would you respect the wishes of that artist?

I would be open to requests like that. But if their work happened to fit perfectly into what I was doing, I'd probably still be open to using it if I thought it fell under Fair Use.

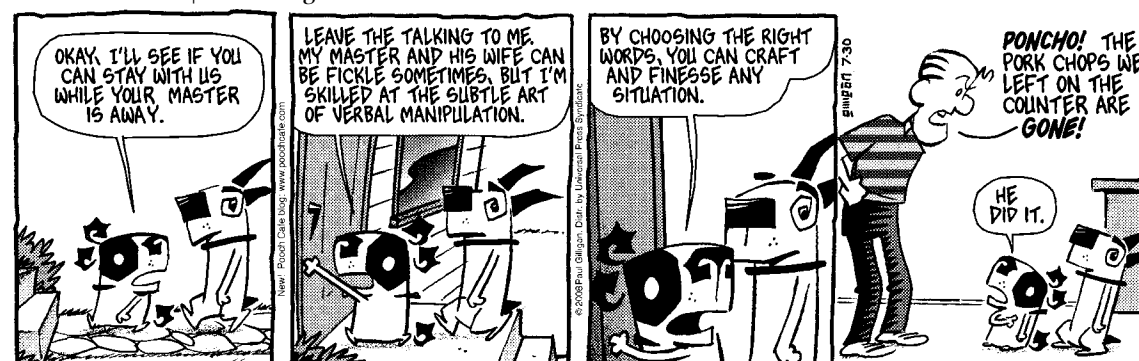
Do you think most people feel a moral imperative to pay for music?

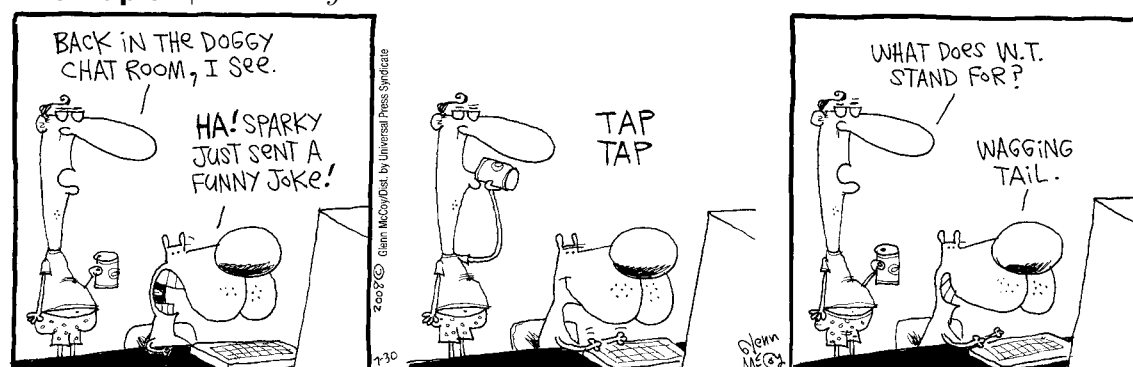
I think the idea that people feeling a moral imperative to pay for music is fading out. I'm 26, and I really like buying CDs because I grew up buying CDs. I think with young people right now, it doesn't make any sense for them to buy music. Paying for physical media is just a product of the past 100 or so years.

TODAY ON DISCUSSIONS:
The experts of the Washington Post Food Section discuss all things culinary. This week: the Baltimore farmers market at 1 p.m. washingtonpost.com/discussions.

Bizarro | Dan Piraro

Cornered | Mike Baldwin


"I can tell you're a man of your word. I'd like you to be a man of my word."

Pooch Cafe | Paul Gilligan

Pearls Before Swine | Stephan Pastis

The Duplex | Glenn McCoy


Horoscope

By Stella Wilder

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) You may have to take over the decision-making process at work for a while. You may be able to improve morale and get better results.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) You're not going to want to reveal something specific about yourself just yet, but the process of concealing it may get rather complicated.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) This may prove a quiet, yet memorable day, as you mull over the past and realize something that will prove quite important almost immediately.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) You may have to begin a difficult project that will require a great deal of planning, foresight and physical strength. Prepare.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) Now is no time to be vague or unspecific with those under you. If you're in control, demonstrate it in no uncertain terms.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) You won't want to break up the team — but there

is something important that you must do on your own. There is room for private pursuits.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) Some kind of retrospective will be beneficial to you, even as you look forward to new success with a new project. Remember where you've been.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) Contact with someone quite different from yourself is likely to open your mind a little more — and open a few doors for you as well.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) An original plan comes your way that is likely to offer more than just opportunity. Indeed, profit and pleasure go hand in hand.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) This is a good day for you to prove yourself, as the risks are low and the opportunities many. Someone may have a secret to tell you during the evening.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) A surprise is in store for you. Keep your eyes and ears open at all times. After dark, certain risks increase.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) This may prove a low-energy day, but there is still much you can accomplish even without running at high speed.

Letters

New Metro Floor a Bad Idea

HOW MUCH DID it cost Metro to rip up the carpets in train cars and replace them with the oh-so-exciting new gray vinyl flooring that shows every smashed wad of

gum, smear of dirt, discarded gum wrapper and scattering of sunflower seeds? At least the carpets hid most of the dirt. I hope Metro sets aside some money for staff to sweep the cars during the day, because they look pretty gross by the evening rush.

—TANYA SPANN ROCHE
Beltville, Md.

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Today in History

1619 America's first representative assembly convenes in Jamestown, Va.

1907 Elections are held in the Philippines for the country's first assembly. The new 80-member assembly is directly elected by a restricted electorate, making it the first elective legislative body in Southeast Asia.

1945 The USS Indianapolis, which had just delivered key components of the Hiroshima atomic bomb to the Pacific island of Tinian, is torpedoed by a Japanese submarine. Only 316 of 1,196 men on board survive in shark-infested waters.

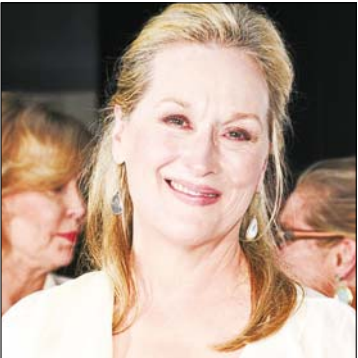


Schwarzenegger was born in 1947.

1947 Arnold Schwarzenegger, the actor who become governor of California, is born.

1953 Britain signs an alliance with Libya.

LOOKout People



Meryl Streep really hates cancer.

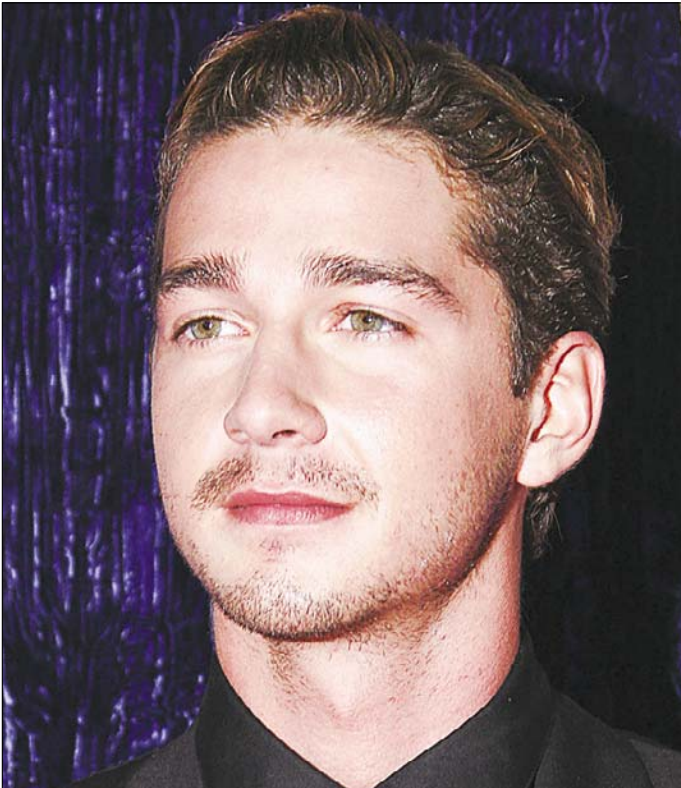
CHARITY A Whole Bunch of People Gather to Fight Cancer

MERYL STREEP, Forest Whitaker, Lance Armstrong and other celebrities will participate in a three-network telethon to support cancer research. The "Stand Up To Cancer" will air live and commercial-free on ABC, CBS and NBC on Sept. 5. (AP)

FRIENDSHIP Friends Don't Let Friends Violate Human Rights



ZHANG ZIYI told Vogue that she is puzzled by the protests against China's human rights record before the Beijing Olympics. "I don't see why people are so negative. The games are about friendship," Zhang said. (AP)



IMAGE

Downfall Stalls

SHIA LABEOUF was not to blame for an early morning car wreck in Los Angeles, authorities said, faulting the other driver for apparently running a red light. Also Tuesday, a person close to production of the "Transformers" sequel said LaBeouf's passenger in the accident was Isabel Lucas, the 23-year-old Australian who plays a supporting role. (AP)

ANALOGIES 'Reaction,' 'High' Is to 12, A Dozen

AMY WINEHOUSE was released from a London hospital Tuesday after an overnight stay to treat what her spokesman said was an adverse reaction to medication. Winehouse was discharged from London's University College after spending the



Too much of anything can cause a reaction.

night in observation. She was rushed to the hospital's emergency room by ambulance from her north London home Monday night. A hospital spokesperson says she is now at home with her father and manager, resting. (AP)

DANGERS He Had Nail Scissors and a Big Bottle of Shampoo, Too

Police say they have confiscated a gun belonging to JERRY LEWIS that was found in the 82-year-old entertainer's carry-on bag in Las Vegas. The actor was cited Friday for carrying an unloaded con-



cealed weapon at the Las Vegas airport. Lewis' manager says the handgun is a hollowed-out prop gun that Lewis sometimes twirls during his show. (AP)

PROFOUND Fergie Discovers Difference Between Acting and Living

FERGIE is excited about her new job. The singer has been cast as Saraghina in "Nine," a big-screen adaptation of the musical. "She's basically a prostitute on the beach," she said. "I'm just thrilled I get to play a character. I'm singing, but I'm not singing as myself." (AP)

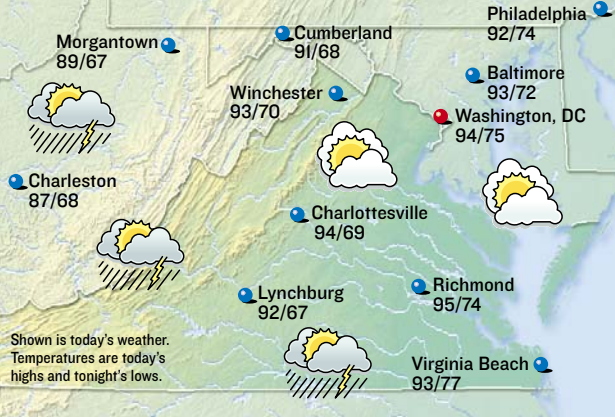


"I'm still Fergie, except that I'm not!"

5 Day Forecast for the Washington Area

Today	Tonight	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
94°	75°	91° / 71°	91° / 71°	93° / 74°	98° / 77°

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Washington, D.C., through 4 p.m. Tues.
Temperature
High 90°
Low 74°
Normal high 88°
Normal low 70°
Average humidity 54%

Precipitation

24 hours ending 4 p.m. 0.01"
Month to date 3.60"
Normal month to date 3.43"
Year to date 32.32"
Last year to date 17.57"
Normal year to date 22.70"

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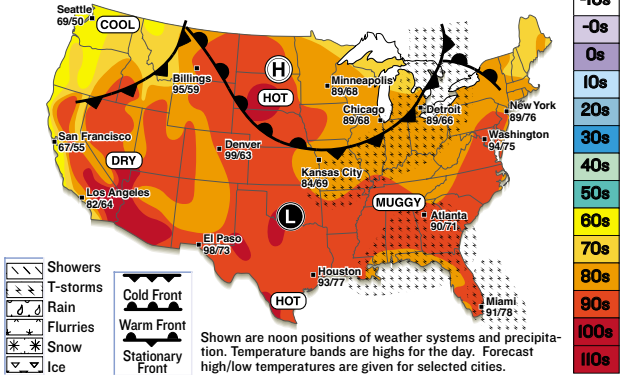
D.C. Metro: Today, partly sunny, hot, humid. High 94. Wind southwest 6-12 mph. Tonight, partly cloudy, a thunderstorm. Low 75.

Sun and Moon

Sunrise today 6:08 a.m.
Sunset tonight 8:21 p.m.
Moonrise today 3:39 a.m.
Moonset today 7:19 p.m.



National Weather for Wednesday, July 30



National Cities

City	Today	Thur.
Atlanta	90/71/t	88/72/t
Boston	84/70/pc	86/68/t
Chicago	89/68/pc	86/62/s
Dallas	99/76/s	97/79/pc
Denver	99/63/pc	101/63/pc
Honolulu	89/76/pc	89/76/s
Los Angeles	82/64/pc	82/64/pc
Miami	91/78/t	91/77/t
New York City	89/76/t	91/74/t
Orlando	90/74/t	91/74/t
Seattle	69/50/pc	64/51/pc

World Cities

City	Today	Thur.
Amsterdam	79/63/pc	77/61/pc
Athens	90/70/s	88/68/s
Berlin	81/63/c	82/66/pc
Buenos Aires	64/50/pc	63/48/r
Calgary	67/46/pc	63/44/pc
Dublin	64/55/r	66/55/sh
Geneva	84/62/sh	85/62/pc
Moscow	64/50/r	68/52/c
Rome	88/68/s	88/70/s
Sydney	61/45/pc	63/53/pc
Tokyo	84/74/c	83/76/sh

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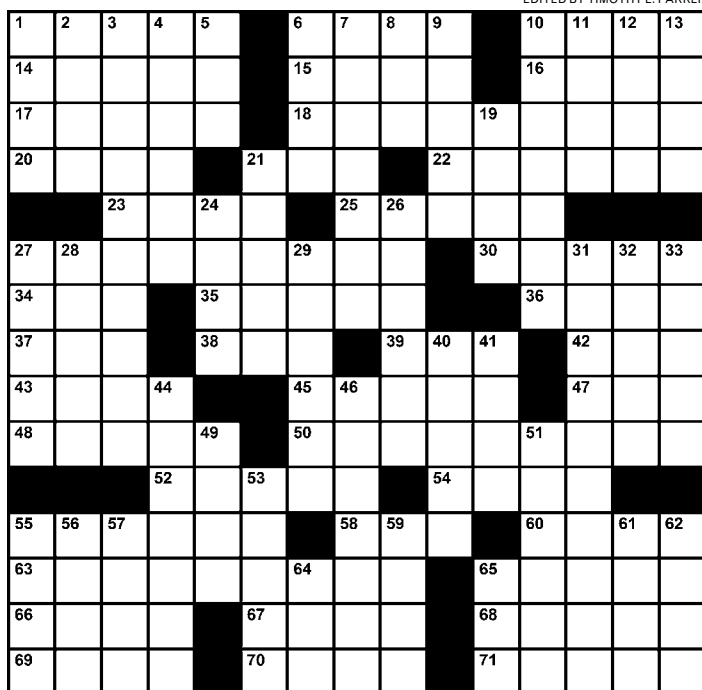
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Yesterday's Solution



SUDOKU | MEDIUM

Fill in the boxes so each row, column and 3-by-3 square includes the digits 1 through 9. See www.sudoku.com for solution, tips and computer program.

Need more Su[doku]?

Find another Sudoku puzzle in the Comics section of the Post every Sunday and in the Style section Monday through Saturday.

Yesterday's Solution

1	2	8	5	3	9	4	6	7
3	7	4	6	8	2	5	1	9
9	5	6	7	1	4	8	2	3
4	1	5	8	2	3	9	7	6
2	6	9	1	7	5	3	4	8
8	3	7	4	9	6	2	5	1
6	4	3	9	5	7	1	8	2
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